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A Book of

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TO

TO
PRINCE CHARLES
His moſt Excellent Highneſs,

Moſt Gracious Prince.

IT is now almoſt a year ſince I preſumed to preſent unto your Highneſs this ſmall Book, my poor *Mite* of *Devotion*, which your Siſter, that moſt virtuous Princeſs Palatine of *Rhene*, challenged for her own, long before the Tranſlation of her unto that Climate. Hereupon finding your gracious entertainment of it, and being minded further to ſatisfie the deſires of Gods people, whom I have found, for Devotions ſake, to take it all in good part; I have lately revived this weak building; and beſides ſome Reformations, I have inſerted Additions of ſix ſmall Prayers, which I thought to be neceſſary for all good Chriſtians, and knew to be deſired by divers. When it is at the beſt, it is no Pre-

sent worthy so noble a Prince; yet because many labours (though meanly qualified) have gained unexpected credit, after they had once obtained honourable Patrons; I do now again offer it unto your Royal hands, in all humility, desiring the continuance of your gracious favour towards it, and then it shall continue as well to praise God for all your happy deliverances, as to pray unto him earnestly for the multiplying of his graces upon you to the rejoycing of his Majesty our Sovereign, and his well beloved Queen, your Royal Parents, besides the good of the Realms and Dominions; evermore crying out with the sweet Singer of Israel, *Give the King thy Judgements, O God, and thy Righteousness unto the King Son,* Amen, Amen.

Frym the Rectory of St. Mildrid, *in the* Poultry, Lond. Feb. 1617.

Your Graces in all submission,
Tho. Sorocold.

A PREFACE to all Devout People: shewing,

1. *The necessity of Supplications and Prayer.*
2. *Why this Book is entituled,* Supplications of Saints.

PAUL *the blessed Apostle, and Saint of God, was so well acquainted with the practices and devices of Satan, as appears in* 2 Cor. 2. 2. *that he taketh great care (by writing and otherwise) lest that common enemy should get any advantage of them: And this may be a just cause, why amongst other precepts he chargeth the* Colossians *in ch.* 4. *v.* 2. that they continue in Prayer, and watch in the same with Thanks-giving, *that is,* not to wax faint nor slack therein. *For such as have learned of the Lord Jesus (saith S.* August.*) true humility and meekness of heart,* receive more profit by Meditation and Prayer, then in Reading and Hearing, *whereby ye may be sure, the Religious Father meant not to traduce either the preaching of the Word, or the reading of any thing that may make a man wise unto salvation, but enforc'd a more reverend respect, and more frequent use*

of this Ghostly exercise: that as men are commanded to be Doers of the Word, *so they should be* Seekers of Grace *to do it by, and not* Hearers only, *for so (saith the Apostle) they should deceive themselves. For when* Paul *had planted, and* Apollos *watered: when one hath read a learned Treatise, and another hath heard a fruitful Sermon; they must refer the rest to him that giveth the increase: and unto whom will he give it? To him that seeketh, unto him that knocketh; to him that asketh humbly and devoutly in his Prayer: Follow then his Counsel, which saith,* Put up your Prayers to him, that he may send down his Grace to you. *Again, beloved, all is not Peace, if we consider of what Church we are: while we be in this world, S.* Paul *tels us, that we are in a* Warfare, *and that* Prayer *is a principal piece of our* Armour: *therefore his counsel is,* Pray always, and watch thereunto. *For we cannot, (as* Abishai *said to* David, *concerning his blow) make so sure a work at one* Prayer-time, *that we shall not need to come again with our second; but rather so many are our sins, as the hairs of our head; so many our enemies, as the Stars in the Sky; and so fierce and strong the tempter, as a roaring Lion; that as the man of God was angry with the King of Israel (because when*

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he had him smite the earth with his dart, he smote only thrice) who should have smitten five or six times, that he might have been assured of the overthrow of his Enemies: So God *that bids us* continue in Prayer, *will be angry with us, if we pray not again and again; as the importunate Widow in the Gospel prosecuted her suit: Yea (to speak of Devotion, as he doth of brotherly remission) if we pray not seven* times, *yea* seventy times seven times *that we may obtain a blessing. To this purpose, Christian brethren, I have been perswaded to publish to your view and charitable interpretation, this handful of flowers, picked, sorted, and tied up in a bundle, according to my slender ability, both of judgment and invention. I have presumed also to intitle them* Supplication of Saints, *enduced thereunto by three reasons. First, because they are squared to the practice of three holy Prophets, and the blessed Apostle S.* Paul. *Secondly, three of these Prayers (which are indeed præstantiores, far more eminent and excellent then all the rest proceeding from humane conceit) and were penn'd and used by the late Noble Queen* Elizabeth, *of famous and happy memory, and may justly challenge the denomination, as the remains of her Devotion, who living a religious and peerless Princess, was accounted (as the*

Wise

Wise man *speaks*) *among* the Children of God, *Saints* by calling: *and now being taken from us*, hath her portion amongst the Saints in Heaven. *The third reason is, because I hope they may be sometimes the exercise of your selves, who being call'd to the participation of Jesus Christ, embracing the Gospel of God, and having received the Sacrament of life have also your parts in the communion of Saints. I have not held such a course as haply other Collectors of the like devotions have done, and yet I hope you will not condemn me, but upon good deliberation. I confess they are not mingled with discourse, for God desireth not to take admonition or information from our reports. Neither are they interlarded with Meditations: for the places of Scripture which I have prefixed before every one, they will minister matter of that devotion; neither have I made any of them very long, to draw them into a thousand periods (as* Chrysostom *saith) as if it were a goodly work to multiply much speech before God: but I have made them somwhat brief, aiming at that Rule which our Lord and Saviour prescribed, saying,* After this manner pray ye: *That is (saith* Chrysostom *again)* He appointed the Disciples to gather the petitions of their Prayer into a short sum: *Wherefore if ye find them worthy the name*

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of Prayers, ſo uſe them; if otherwiſe, yet take them as mean (I do not ſay, main) grounds, and poor helps, to do ſervice here, and there, in your deeper meditations, when your devotion ariſes to do the daily ſacrifice, with this liberty, that where I have been defective, I reſer it to the judicious to ſupply; and where I have offered any thing vain or offenſive, I am content to admit a godly corrector. I ſpeak to them that have underſtanding, judge you what I ſay: *and I ſhall pray unto the holy One of Iſrael, in Heaven, that your Inſpirations may be heavenly, your deſires holy, and your prayers here fervent, and frequent, and there acceptable before the Throne of his Majeſty, to the relief of your neceſſities, and for the ſetting forth of his glory in Jeſus Chriſt,* Amen,

Yours in the Lord,

T. S.

THE moſt abſolute Prayer, and beſt rule of all Holy Petitions, is that which our Lord and Saviour taught his Diſciples. A Prayer large for Matter, ſhort for Phraſe, and ſweet for Order: which having paraphraſed, (thus as you ſee) I thought it not ſo good to inſert it into this bundle, as to place it here alone before them all, as a *Supplication*, not appropriate to any one part, but appertaining and giving life to all, and fit to conclude every one.

EXOD. 5. 14.

Yeſterday, and to day, as heretofore.

A PARAPHRASE upon the *LORDS PRAYER.*

OUR FATHER, { By right of Creation, Merit of Mercy, Gracious Provision.

Which art in Heaven, { The Seat of thy Majesty, The Inheritance of thy Children, The Kingdom of Bliss.

Hallowed be thy name, { By the thoughts of our hearts, By the words of our mouths, By the works of our hands.

Thy Kingdom come, { O Grace, to inspire us; Of Power, to defend us; Of Glory, to Crown us:

Thy Will be done, { In weal and woe, In fulness and want, In life and death.

In Earth, as it is in Heaven. { In us, as it in thine Angels, willingly, readily, faithfully, without Murmur, Let, Deceit.

Give us this day our daily bread, { For the nourishment of our Bodies, For the feeding of our Souls, The relief of all Necessities.

And

And forgive us our debts	Whereby thou art dishonoured,	
	Our Neighbour wronged, or	
	Our selves endangered.	
As we forgive our debtors.	That have hurt us in our bodies,	
	Hindred us in our goods,	
	Wronged us in our good name.	
And lead us not into temptation,	Of the wicked world,	
	The enticing flesh, or	
	The envious Devil.	
But deliver us from evil.	Forgive that is past,	
	Remove that is present,	
	Prevent what is to come.	
For thine is the	Kingdom,	To rule and govern all,
	Power and	To command and do all,
	Glory.	In all and by all, all in all.
Now and for ever.	At this present.	
	In this world, and	
	In the world to come.	
AMEN	As thou sayest, so it is,	
	As thou promisest, so it shall be,	
	As we pray, so be it, Lord.	

PRAYERS

Beginning with the Letters of the NAME *ELIZABETH.*

E

EVery day, O Almighty God and Heavenly Father, will I pray unto thee, to have mercy upon me, and to keep me in thy Grace, Favour, and Love; Every day will I give thanks unto thee for thy gracious Redemption of my Body and Soul from sin, death, hell.

Every day will I laud thy holy Name, O Holy Ghost, Gods Spirit, Hearts Joy, Elects Comforter: beseeching thee, blessed Trinity in sacred Unity, to replenish my heart with all Charitable desires, and Heavenly inspirations, necessary to salvation, *Amen.*

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L.

LAy to thy helping hand, O Lord, ſtrengthen the weak Condition of my Faith, and pour thine Oyl of Grace into my wounded heart, that I may be able to walk in the ways of thy Commandments without reproof and receive comfort at all needs and neceſſities, *Amen.*

I.

IT is pity and compaſſion, O Lord, alone, which muſt cover mine unworthineſs, therefore renouncing all merit in my ſelf, I fly unto thee for ſuccour: Leave me not, O Lord, but preſerve me with thy goodneſs, now and evermore, *Amen.*

Z.

ZEalous (O Lord) I am of thy Truth; Wherefore, I pray thee ſanctifie my heart to a right Converſation in this World. Direct me by thy Laws, that I never ſtep beyond the limits of my duty, and ſuffer me not to enter into any action

ction which either may dishonour hee, or bring my life into infany, *Amen.*

A.

ADmit me (O merciful Lord) to thy gracious favour: many are the dangers of this life, and I have no Patron to defend me but thee. Heaven is thine, and the Earth is thine; keep me on Earth as one of thine, and bring me to Heaven, to reign with thee, *Amen.*

B.

Blessed Lord, I have sinned, but my Pardon is with thee. If I were as sinful as *Mary Magdalene*, as out-ragious as the prodigal Son, and as bashful to come near, as the Publican, yet Jesus hath made satisfaction for my sins; therefore in mercy forgive me now and evermore, *Amen.*

E.

ENter not into judgement with a poor Creature (*O Lord,*) dust and ashes is my state here: only I am

I am created after thine Image, for a better world: destroy not the the work of thine own hands: but shew thy Mercy and Goodnes unto me this day, and evermore. *Amen.*

T

THink upon me, O Lord; thy Word never faileth, and thy compassions have no end. By the Virtue of the one, and the substance of the other, purifie me from all iniquity, and lead me into all Truth, this day and evermore. *Amen.*

H

HAve mercy upon me, O Lord, accept my prayers which I pour out before thee, and grant my requests. Mercifully prosper the things that I take in hand: save me from mine enemies; a blessed life, and happy end, good Lord send me, *Amen.*

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SUPPLICATIONS OF SAINTS.

The First Part.

DANIEL'S Devotion.

Dan. 6. 10.

He kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God.

Aug. in Psal.

In the Evening, of things past; in the Morning, of things to come; at Noon, of Eternal.

This part containeth Private Prayers, for Morning, Noon, and Evening, every day in the week.

Also four other Prayers, for Morning, and Evening, only.

Also two Prayers, or Meditations upon the Passion of our blessed Saviour.

reign in my mortal body: and give me a contrite heart to bewail my former life; and let me find comfort in thy mercy, for the remission of my sins.

Sanctifie me (O holy Trinity) this holy day, with thine especial grace, that I may honour thee as a Creator, love thee as a Redeemer, and expect thee as a Saviour; and that I may have modest carriage in my behaviour, true devotion in my Prayers, and reverend attention to hear thy Holy Word; and so unlock the ears of mine understanding, that I may observe, learn, and embrace such things as are necessary for me, to the better confirmation of my faith in Christ Jesus, and the salvation of my Soul by his Blood. Raise me, O Father, by the power of thy Sons Resurrection, from sin and iniquity, and give me spiritual rest, peace, and joy in the Communion of Saints, that hereafter, when I shall

leave this world, I may keep the everlasting Sabbath with thee in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Behold (O Lord) I knock at the door of thy mercy for all these graces, with all the powers of my strength, soul, and mind; beseeching thee to continue unto me the right use of all the powers and faculties of the same; and to send thy holy Spirit to bear witness to my spirit that I am thy child, and shall be heir of thy Kingdom with Christ Jesus our Lord, and through his merits; for whose sake I beseech thee, to grant all those things that I have prayed for, *Amen.*

Noon.

A Prayer for the Ministers of the Word.

O Lord Jesus, which hast commanded us to pray for Labourers to thy Harvest, we beseech thee send painful Ministers into thy

thy Church; Endue them with ſuch wiſdom and ſpeech, as the Adverſaries may not be able to gainſay: open unto them the door of doctrine and utterance; give them the ſpirit of boldneſs, that they may faithfully diſpenſe thy myſteries, and ſpeak thy Word freely and boldly; take away all contentions and differences from among them; Make them examples to thoſe that believe in ſoundneſs of doctrine, and pureneſs of life. And becauſe the rule of our life depends upon thy Word in their mouths, bleſs them with all graces fit for their Calling; that we may give thanks unto thee for them, finding thy bleſſing upon us, in and by their holy labours; and praiſe thy Name for evermore, *Amen.*

Sunday.

Evening Prayer.

GEN. 18. 27. 30. *Behold, I have taken upon me to ſpeak unto my Lord, O let not my Lord be angry, and I will ſpeak.*

O Eternal God, and merciful Father, from the bottom of my heart I give thee continual thanks, that of thy mercy thou haſt nouriſhed me with thy goodneſs, preſerved me by thy power, and governed me by thy Word, and Holy Spirit this day, and all this week paſt; yea, and at all other times of my life hitherto: and I moſt humbly beſeech thee, in the merits of Chriſt Jeſus my Saviour, not to reſpect mine unworthineſs, but in his Grave to cover and bury all my miſdeeds which I have either wittingly or ignorantly done, and in particular (O Lord) thoſe which in this week paſt I have committed, in thought,

thought, word, and deed, againſt thy divine Majeſty.

Water, O Lord, with the dew of thy Grace, the ſeed of thy holy Word, which I have received this day, that with ſound judgement and godly devotion, I may put in practiſe ſuch things as I know to be pleaſing to thy divine Majeſty: and that my heart being alwaies obedient to thy Commandements, and the fear of mine enemies taken away from me, I may paſs my time in Peace and Holineſs, through thy gracious protection.

Be merciful unto me (O Lord) forgive the evil that I have committed, ſupply the good which I have omitted, reſtore what I have loſt; heal my ſores, cleanſe my filthineſs, lighten my darkneſs, and alter the whole ſtate of my mind, diſpoſitions and affections, that nothing may be wanting to good purpoſe in me.

O Lord, ſtretch out thy hand

over me, and of thy wonted goodneſs defend me this night from all evil; keep me from fearful and wicked dreams, unprofitable cares, vain cogitations, and outward violence: preſerve my body from eternal death, and my ſoul from everlaſting damnation. Compaſs me about on every ſide with thy grace inwardly and outwardly, that when I ſhall either take due care for the things of this life, or carefully ſeek for thoſe things which appertain to the Kingdom of Heaven, I may hear the voice of thy Holy Spirit ſounding in my heart from the mouth of thy Apoſtle; *My God ſhall fulfill all your neceſſities, through his riches with glory in Jeſus Chriſt.* Grant, O Lord, theſe and all other graces meet for me, even for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, my onely Lord and Saviour: in whoſe name, I further pray unto thee ſaying that prayer which he in his Goſpel hath taught us, *Our Father, &c.*

Morning

Munday.

Morning Prayer.

PSAL. 66. 20. *Blessed be God which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.*

O Heavenly Father, and Almighty God, who beyond all measure hast unlocked the treasure of thy favour and blessing unto me from time to time; I most heartily thank thee for the sweet sleep and comfortable rest which I have taken this night, through thy gracious preservation of me; and now (O Lord) I consecrate my Soul and Body to thy service this day again, and ever hereafter; desiring that my prayer, early now this morning, may have access unto thee.

O Lord, I pray thee, bless, preserve, and keep me this day, by thy power, from sin, shame, and all evil, and so direct me with thy

Grace, that all my thoughts, words, and works, may pleaſe thee. Stand, I beſeech thee, between me and mine Enemies, bodily and ghoſtly, eſpecially Satan and all his aſſaults and ſnares that he ſetteth for me daily. And as thou haſt now raiſed up my Body from a ſound and heavy ſleep, ſo deliver my Soul from the dead ſleep of ſin, and the darkneſs of this world. Help, O Lord, thy Creature, which dependeth upon thy providence only.

O Lord Jeſus, have mercy upon me miſerable ſinner, pardon and forgive me all my ſins, negligences, and ignorances. Remember not mine obſtinacies, and have compaſſion upon mine infirmities. Set thy holy Paſſion, Croſs, and Death, between thy Judgement and my Souls danger, both now and at the hour of death.

Of thy mercy, O Lord, ſtrengthen my weakneſs, and mortifie my

my corrupt Nature, inclining to ſwearing, wantonneſs, lying, or any ſin whatſoever: and grant that I may ſo walk in thy waies by the light of thy holy Word, that no worldly vanity bewitch me to ſell my ſelf to work wickedneſs, but that I may in a ſpecial manner ſtrive againſt thoſe ſins that my corrupt nature is prone unto.

O Holy Father, grant me a ſound mind, and an upright heart, and the right uſe of my Senſes continually, that knowing what I do, and practiſing what I know, I may worthily lament the wickedneſs of my life, and ever upon my unfeigned repentance feel thy comforts rejoycing my Soul; and never forget the deſire of the life to come, but diligently fix my heart and affections on Heavenly things. O Lord, bleſs me in all the paſſages of this Pilgrimage; further my buſineſs, that I may truly walk without ſin, and ſafely

work without danger, in that vocation whereunto thou hast called me in this life; and after death, O Lord, restore my Body and Soul to life eternal. Hear my prayer, O Lord God, for Jesus Christ his sake, my only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Noon.

A Prayer to God the Father.

O Merciful God, and loving Father, on whose providence we depend for all our necessaries, we thank thee for our royal Creation after thine own Image, and all other good Graces, now and ever bestowed upon us: Give us Grace, we pray thee, so to live, as becometh thy children, in all holiness, and righteousness. Incline our hearts to thy Law, and not to covetousness: open the eyes of our Understandings, that we may behold the secret things of thy Law. Make us fruitful in all good works:

works: forgive us our sins, and wash us in the blood of thy Son: cleanse our hearts, and renew our minds to thy holy will: prosper the works of our hands, and bring us safely from all dangers to the end of this day, for Jesus Christs sake, *Amen.*

Munday.

Evening Prayer.

PSAL. 55. 11. *Evening and Morning, and at Noon, will I pray, and cry aloud, and he shall hear me.*

ALmighty God, Lord of Heaven and Earth, which giveſt infinite occaſions unto every creature to praiſe thy holy Name: I who have been partaker not of the leaſt of thy mercies, am ready with the holy Prophets, that mine eyes may prevent the Night-watches; and I repair unto thee now again when the day is paſt, en-

entreating thee to accept this mine Evening Sacrifice of praise and thanks, for the depth of thy goodness, which I am not able to express; and the Sea of thy mercies, which have over-flowed to me in a good and comfortable measure this day, to my great comfort. Season, O Lord, my Senses, inward and outward, with the Salt of thy Grace, that with a sanctified heart I may make a godly use of all those good things which I have heard, seen, or read this day in thy sacred Word. And further, lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death, nor walk in darkness, spiritual or corporal, to endanger either my Body or my Soul.

Yet, O Lord, I beseech thee let mine eyes sleep, and enjoy that moderate recreation and refreshing which thou hast appointed for the wearisom condition of my weak body, but let my Soul continually

tinually watch unto thee to attend thy coming, that when my ſleep hath not been unmeaſurable (to pleaſe exceſſively the eaſe of my fleſh) I may thereby be the better diſpoſed to thy ſervice to morrow, to ſuch duties as thou haſt, or ſhalt call me unto; and in all the waies that I ſhall walk, to ſet forth thy glory in them

Preſerve me, Lord, from all dangers that walk in the night; and keep me from all the temptations and ſuggeſtions of him that is the Prince of Darkneſs. Forgive me the ſins and offences which I have committed this day, in thought, word, and deed, either againſt thee or my Neighbour. Give me grace to water my Couch with the tears of true and unfeigned repentance for all my former ſins, and grant that I may ſo paſs the reſidue of my life, as that in regard of thy Juſtice I may retain a holy fear to ſtand alwaies in aw of thee, and

and in regard of thy mercy I may conceive sure hope never to despair or distrust in thee.

O Lord, keep me this night both in Body and Soul, that I may with the next light joyfully rise again, be thankful unto thee, and carefully walk in my vocation and calling, to the glory of thy holy name, and the commodity of my neighbour, for Jesus Christs sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Tuesday.
Evening Prayer.

PSAL. 90. 14. *Satisfie us early with thy mercy, that we may rejoyce and be glad in thee all our dayes.*

O Blessed Lord God, great in power, fearful in judgement, and rich in mercy; which bindeth and no man looseth; and looseth and no man bindeth: I yield thee most humble and hear-

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ty thanks, for that of thy fatherly goodneſs thou haſt vouchſafed me this nights ſleep in peace and reſt: And again, looſing the bonds wherewith I was tyed, haſt given me power to ſee this morning light. Now O Lord (I beſeech thee) pour upon me this day the Heavenly dew of thy comfortable bleſſing, that through the operation of thy gracious beams, I that am a poor tree, weak and barren in my ſelf, may bud forth, and bear the fruits of true faith in my life and converſation. Continue this goodneſs and mercy towards me, and by thy power raiſe me from the deep ſleep of all unrighteouſneſs: diſcharge me from the works of darkneſs; mortifie and ſubdue them by thy Spirit, that they may not have any dominion over me; and cloathe me with the armour of light, that I may walk honeſtly as in the day, and live ſoberly, righteouſly, and godlily

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in this present world.

Grant me, O Lord, true understanding and knowledge of thy Word, which is the Glass of thy Will. Increase in me all godly desires, together with true contrition of heart, that I may unfeignedly despise the pleasures of this World, and with hearty repentance be converted unto thee. Send thy Holy Angels to guide me, and keep me in all thy waies, and prosper the work of my hands; that I never fail in my vocation to do some good to all men, and eschew (if it be possible) all evil, and the occasions and appearances thereof.

O Lord, I beseech thee preserve and keep my heart sound, and upright, that I be neither corrupted by prosperity, nor cast down by adversity, nor be too fearful of thy Judgements, or too bold upon thy Mercy. But grant me grace, O merciful Lord, that I may apprehend

hend all things that come from thee with a Religious contented mind, and in the end of my daies by a lively faith may joyfully arrive in the Land of Promise, the Kingdom of Heaven, through the merits of Jesus Christ, my only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

Noon.

A Prayer to God the Son.

O Blessed Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Eternal God, blessed be thy Name for our Redemption. Great was thy love; sore was thy Passion. Print in our minds, we beseech thee, the continual memory thereof, that we may love thee, which so lovedst us; and evermore praise thee, that hast bought us at so dear a price. Reject not our prayers, which we offer to be presented to thy Father, but mercifully help us, and heal all our infirmities: increase our faith, and teach us obedience, forgive

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but offences, and hide us in, and by thy wounds, from thy Fathers just wrath. Make good thy promises unto us for the World to come, and enable us with thy grace for the performance of all thy Commandments: Prosper, O Lord, our handy-work, and bring us safely to the end of this day, for thy Truth, and for thy Names sake, *Amen.*

Tuesday.

Evening Prayer.

PSAL. 49. 5. *Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God.*

O Most holy Father, and my gracious God, which giveſt unto all sorts of men the cheerful light of the day, that by thine assistance, and in thy fear, they may follow their honest vocations; and likewise sendest the silent night, that

that then they may rest their wearied limbs, busied minds, and so return their due thanks for thy goodness: I sinful Creature do heartily laud and praise thee for the total summ of all thy mercies, whereof I have been this day partaker.

O Lord, I am vile, look not upon mine unworthiness, folly, and wickedness, but appease thy anger justly conceived against me, and forgive what hath been amiss in me this day, or at any other time, even for his sake who is thy well beloved Son, and my dear Advocate.

Root up, O Lord, the thorns of mine inclinations and affections, and in their place make the fruits of vertue to spring; Inflame my heart with the desire of Heavenly loves, that I may keep thy Commandements with zeal as hot as fire, loving thee above all things, and my neighbour as my self.

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Give me Grace, O Lord, to serv thee in true faith, fear and holi. nesse, all the daies of my life, and to overcome my mortal enemies, the desires of the world, the pleasures of the flesh, and the suggestions of the wicked spirit, remembring my promise made unto thee in Baptism, for the performance where-of I depend onely upon thy holy Spirit.

O God of Light, let thine Angels pitch their Tents round about this house, for our defence now in the time of this darkness, and grant that this nights sleep may be quiet unto me, without grief or trouble. Preserve me and mine both in Body and Soul, from all dangers and offences which may come either by foolish Dreams, noisome spirits, or uncleanness of corrupt nature. Waken me again, O Lord, in due time, and let me behold the light of the next day, to my comfort; prepare my heart

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nd mind thy ſervice every day in ll truth and ſincerity, that when I ave run the race of this life, thou ayeſt be pleaſed to call me to be artaker of a better, that ſo I may ive and reign with thee evermore, hrough Jeſus Chriſt our onely Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Wedneſday.

Morning Prayer.

Let me hear thy loving kindneſs in the Morning, for in thee do I truſt: ſhew me the way wherein I ſhould walk: for I lift up my ſoul unto thee.

O Bleſſed God, and merciful Father, the never going down Sun of the World, which bringeſt forth, nouriſheſt, refreſheſt, and reneweſt all things both in Heaven and Earth; I thy poor Creature moſt humbly thank thee, that thou haſt preſerved me in this laſt darkneſs, and every night

night and day hitherto under thy protection, suffering me to live until this present hour; that thou hast succoured and defended me in all my needs and necessities, and hast provided so graciously and mercifully for me. Now I beseech thee (Lord) do not abridge the hand of thy mercy toward me, but let the spring of thy grace, flowing from the sanctuary of thy goodness, arise to all parts of my Body and Soul in such proportion as may be for thy Glory and my comfort.

Mortifie (O my God) all the corrupt affections that are in me: cleanse me from my secret faults, and pardon the innumerable sins which I have committed. Fill me this day with thy Grace, that I may not spend it, but to the honour of thy Name. Set a watch before the door of my mouth, and order the course of my lips, that I may utter nothing unadvisedly either

ither before thee or men; Keep
ny Senſes within their limits; ſet
ny Heart in a new frame of obe-
ience, and keep it in the ſame.
Direct my Will in that which is
ood, and order my Judgment for
he right accompliſhment of thoſe
hings that appertain to my voca-
ion.

O Lord, defend me from all
hame and diſgrace of life: ſhield
he from all violence and force of
nemies, and guide me ſafely
hrough all perillous and danger-
us wayes. Make me as thy Spouſe,
nwardly and outwardly prepared
nd adorned by grace, that I
nay be preſented a pure Virgin
nto Chriſt. Diſplay upon me the
anners of thy love, ſet thine eye
pon me for good, and not for
vil, that with the eye of faith I
nay behold and ſee the Croſs of
Chriſt, and his ſacred wounds,
he comfortable price of my Re-
emption, and may have ſuch faſt
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footing in this Christian warfare, that nothing make me yield to the temptations of the Devil. O Lord so strengthen me with thy hand, and furnish me with thy grace in this vale of misery, that all the members of my body may follow the direction of my heart; and my heart being sincerely knit unto thee, I may wholly serve thee in holiness and righteousness, all the dayes of my life, for Jesus Christ his sake, my only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

Noon.

A Prayer to God the Holy Ghost.

O Holy Spirit, the Author and Giver of Life, which hast guided me thus far this day, and guarded me from manifold evils; I praise thee, I bless thee, I glorifie thee for thy great mercy. Continue thy goodness towards me, I beseech thee, though I deserve it not

not, inſpire my mind with holy motions, convert me from evil, confirm me in all that is good.

Comfort me, thou Comforter, when I ſhall have moſt need. Clear the ſtorm of temptation, and inflame the coldneſs of my zeal with the fire of thy holy Spirit, and of the love wrought in thy people thereby. Lead me into all truth, and reclaim me when I go aſtray. O proſper the works of my hands bring me ſafely from all dangers, to the end of this day, for Jeſus Chriſts ſake, *Amen.*

Wedneſday.

Evening Praier.

With-hold not thy tender mercies from me, O Lord, let thy loving kindneſs, and thy truth, alwayes preſerve me.

O Lord God, thou who art my love, my life, the length and ſtrength of my days: I moſt hear-

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tily thank thee for keeping me this day from manifold dangers, both of Body and Soul, which might justly have fallen upon me. Now I humbly beseech thee, bring not into judgement what I have done amiss this day, but mercifully pardon the escapes and offences of my frail nature. Forgive and forget (O Lord) all mine idle and vain words, and impute not my foolishness unto me. Remit unto me all my aberrations, and goings astray from thy Law. Destroy in me the kingdom of sin, the power of Satan, the desires of the World, and the vain delights of the Flesh.

Lord, into thy hands I commend my self, even Soul and Body, this night and ever. Lighten my darkness, that I sleep not in death; and defend me, that no evil happen unto me, but that by thy blessing I may rest safely.

Comfort me (Lord) in all those things wherein I have been

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any waies dismayed this day. Take not thy holy Spirit from me, but continue the motions thereof in my heart, and make me careful to use all good means to cherish and stir them up, that when as the tempter shall come with his assaults, I may be furnished with the shield of Faith, to quench his fiery darts.

Strengthen my weakness, and grant that this nights sleep may be sweet and healthful to my Body, and a profitable memorial of that sleep which at my last end in that great night shall make a separation between my body and soul.

Let alwaies thine unspeakable mercy preserve me, thy endless sweetness rejoyce me, thy Heavenly truth strengthen me: thy knowledge embolden me, and thy goodness keep me now and for evermore from mine Enemies visible and invisible; that I may awake in the morning in perfect sense,

and good health, and for the same be thankful unto thee, and carefully betake me to my vocation and calling, for Jesus Christs sake, my only Saviour, *Amen.*

Thursday.
Morning Praier.

Psalm 145. 18. *The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him; to all that call upon him in truth.*

O Lord God, which art the light which no man can attain unto, and yet lighteneſt every one that cometh into the world, mercifully driving away the darkneſs of the night, and ſhadow of death. I praiſe thy holy Name, and thank thee moſt humbly, that thou haſt vouchſafed me the favour to paſs this night in ſuch comfortable reſt, and to be brought again ſafe and ſound unto the morning-light. Now (I beſeech thee) by

the myſterie of thy Holy Incarnation, and the bleſſed Nativity of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt, (the thrice happy Day-ſtar that appeared to the world) let thy mercy this day ariſe upon me, and let the bright beams of thy light ſhine into my heart, that I be not tranſported either through the corruption of nature, or power of darkneſs, to ſpend this day after mine own mind and pleaſure; but that I may carefully follow the heavenly light of thy Word, to perform thy bleſſed Will.

Increaſe in me (O Lord) the gift of Faith and Hope, that I may believe in thee, and thy promiſes made in Chriſt, and diligently labour to find in my ſoul thoſe graces to which thou haſt annexed thy promiſes; and grant that neither by mine own negligence, nor the infirmity of the fleſh, nor the grievouſneſs of Temptations, I be driven away from a ſure confi-

dence of a gracious acceptance with thee in the merit of his sacred Blood. Disperse the thick mists and clouds of my sinful life, which blemish my Soul, and darken my understanding, and wash away all such pollution in the blood of his Passion, that I may be acknowledged for one of thine, when I come unto thee in my need. Give me a will to work duly and truly in my vocation this day without idleness; and order my skill with the rule of thy wisdom, that I be not unfruitful. Bless my Body and Soul, that none evil or harm come unto them; and keep my memory and senses, that they pass not the limits of that Understanding and Reason wherewith thou hast endued.

O Lord, lighten my mind to look upon good things only, enflame my heart with the love of them; conduct me by thy Grace to attain them; that as thou hast

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now awaked my body from sleep, so my Soul may daily be raised from the slumber of sin, and darkness of this world, and they both being companions and fellows in the way of godliness, may be made partakers of everlasting life at the latter day; through Jesus Christ our own Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Noon.

A Prayer for Sobriety.

O Lord God, which hast commanded us to be sober, direct my paths in the right way of Sobriety, spiritual and corporal: Suffer me not this day, nor any other, to abuse thy good creatures, or turn thy grace into wantonness; let me not be overcome with surfeiting and drunkenness, but avoid all superfluity, using all temperance and moderation; both in meats and drinks. Grant me a stayed mind, a grave and sober dis-

poſition, and an humble and lowly conceit of my ſelf; bleſs me, that I may be wiſe but to ſobriety; that I may live ſoberly, righteouſly, and godlily in this preſent world, for Jeſus Chriſts ſake, *Amen.*

Thurſday.
Evening Praier.

Pſalm 145. 6. *The Lord is good to all, and his tender mercies are over all his works.*

O Lord God, my moſt loving and merciful Father; great in mercy, and conſtant in truth; I do acknowledge my bounden duty of thankfulneſs unto thee, for thy manifold graces and benefits imparted unto me this day. Though I be unable to recount them, and far more unworthy to be partaker of them; nevertheleſs, in full aſſurance and confidence of thy love to me in Chriſt Jeſus, I preſume to come unto thee, and now

now again commit into thy hands this night my Soul and Body, and all my senses, my thoughts, affections, words and deeds, all within me, and all without me, my Faith, and my continuance in the same: beseeching thee, of thy mercy, to keep me and them, day and night, blameless and undefiled, against the day of thy coming.

O Lord, pardon (I pray thee) and forgive me all the sins which this day I have either wretchedly effected, or wickedly imagined against thine Honour, and the good of my Neighbour: Lay not the faults and frailties of my younger years unto my charge: O Lord, forget them; O Lord, forgive them. And for the better Confirmation of thy gracious pardon, I humbly entreat thee (O Lord) to annex unto thy Grant the power of thy Grace to attend upon me, that I may not do mine own Will, but Thine; in ef-

chewing evil, and doing good. Strike my heart (O Lord) with thy fear, that in fearing thee I may labour to escape those things which thou threatnest; and give me the comfort of thy Salvation, that in loving thee, I may be thought worthy to obtain those things which thou hast promised: Be favourable unto me, O Lord, that I may this night quietly take my rest under the shadow of thy wings, void of all fear, spiritual darkness, danger, and despair; and when the dark end of this mortal life (like the shutting in of this day) shall come, grant me (O Lord) a watchful heart, willingly disposed, and throughly enabled with thy grace, to abandon these transitory nights and daies, and depart hence in the peace of a good Conscience into thine everlasting rest, through Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer: In whose Name I further pray unto thee, saying

saying that form of Praier that he hath taught us: *Our Father*, &c.

Friday.

Morning Praier.

Psalm 73. 25. *Whom have I in Heaven but thee, and there is none upon Earth that I desire besides thee.*

O Almighty Lord, my mighty Creator, and my God; I thine unworthy servant give thee humble and hearty thanks for thy gracious protection and preservation of me in health, wealth, and safety, this night past, and all other times. And now I beseech thee so direct me by thy holy Spirit, that I may this day live and walk according to thy good will and pleasure, in all harmless manner, to the profit and good of my neighbours, and in all holiness and righteousness, for thy glory.

Lighten my mind, O Lord, by the

the true understanding of thy holy Word, that without all vanity or curiosity, I may seek to know what is that thy good, perfect, and acceptable Will, and may also unfeignedly express what I know, in my life and conversation

O Lord, I confess and acknowledg all the sins which I have committed against thy Law; but on bended knees I beseech thee, enter not into judgement with thy servant for them, but wipe them away in thy Sons Blood. Bless my judgement, and all my senses, that no sudden motion make me conceive any grief so far, as to forfeit my reasonable understanding; neither that I be so blinded in understanding, as to mis-conceive any part of thy truth, or maintain or hold any Error, or erroneous fancy. Send (O Lord) thy blessing upon all my labours and travels in this world, that I may have wherewithal to relieve my necessities up-

upon all occasions. Indue me with thy fear, give me an humble mind, godly sorrow, and a good Conscience, that I may carry an honest and upright meaning, to deal justly and truly with all men.

O Lord, temper and order all things unto me in such a peaceable course, that I never be further tempted then thou wilt make me able to bear; and so work for me, O my God, as may be most to thy Glory, and my comfort. Give me patience in all provocations and trials, and faith in all temptations; and so arm me with thy Grace and assistance, that I may walk warily and wisely this day, and all the daies of my life, for Jesus Christ his sake, mine only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

Noon.

A Prayer for Chastity.

ALmighty Lord, which knoweſt that in our fleſh dwelleth no good, and yet haſt vouchſafed to make our Bodies the Temples of the Holy Ghoſt, give me grace that I may always crucifie the fleſh with all the inordinate affections, and inordinate deſires thereof, and bring it in ſubjection unto the Spirit. Quench the flames of all carnal motions in me, abate the heat of foul luſt, and let me not be led away by the enticements of any wanton company. I know, my members be the members of Chriſt; and therefore ſanctifie me (I beſeech thee) that whether I live in the ſtate of Matrimony, or a ſingle life, I may avoid all uncleanneſs, and alwaies poſſeſs my veſſel, not in the luſt of concupiſcence, but in holineſs and honour, that it may be a Temple for

for thy ſelf to delight and dwell in, for Jeſus ſake, *Amen.*

Friday.

Evening Prayer.

Pſalm 63. 28. *It is good for me to draw neer unto God: I have put my truſt in the Lord God, that I may declare all thy works.*

O Eternal God, my merciful and loving Father in Chriſt Jeſus, our Lord; I render unto thy Majeſty due praiſe and thanks for thy Fatherly goodneſs in protecting me this day from many dangers and damages, which might juſtly have happened unto me, if thou ſhouldſt ſtrictly have obſerved what I have deſerved, and how I have ſinned againſt thy Law; and now (I beſeech thee) to keep and protect me this night alſo: preſerve me and mine and thy Fatherly providence, and all thoſe that

that depend upon me. Have mercy upon me (O God) have mercy upon me; and of thy wonted goodneſs forgive me all my tranſgreſſions, eſpecially thoſe which I have committed this day againſt thy ſacred Majeſty: ſhew me the light of thy Countenance, and let me find comfort in the remorſe of my Conſcience.

Bleſs me (O Lord) and water me with the dew of thy bleſſings, and let the drops of thy Sons blood ſhed for my ſins (and yet crying for mercy) diſtil into my heart by a lively faith, for the comfort of my ſoul, and the amendment of my life.

I beſeech thee (O Lord) take from me all manner of darkneſs, miſbelief, infidelity, carnal luſts and affections; and ſo ſtrengthen me with thy grace, that the bark of my weak Faith ſink not through the ſtorms of Satans Temptations, nor my hope be over-

over-turned through the weight of my unworthiness, nor any of thy good Graces extinguished, or blemished, by the waies of a wicked conversation. Enter thy judgments into the Tables of my heart, that I may be content to spare of my ordinary sleep, to muse of all thy Commandments: and that I may be more earnest upon the meditation of thy sacred Word, then the Kings of the Nations have been to turn over their Records in the night season. Be mindful of me, when I happen to forget my self, and think upon me, O Lord, sleeping and waking.

Keep me (O Lord) this night present, even me and mine, that we be neither disquieted by dreams, nor surprised by sudden violence, nor affrighted by any terror; but grant us this freedom and liberty, that we may lie down in peace and rest, and rise up again

again in due time safely: to the honour and glory of thy Name, and the managing of our worldly business, in thy fear, through Jesus Christ our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Saturday.

Morning Prayer.

Psal. 42 8 *The Lord will command his loving kindness in the day time, and in the night season his Song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life.*

O Immortal and everlasting God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, I thy unworthy servant beseech thee to accept this my Morning Sacrifice of praise and thanks, due unto thee alone, for protecting me with thy mighty hand, from the fears and dangers of this night past, and refreshing my weary body with natural

tural and kindly reſt, and hereunto (I humbly intreat thee) to joyn thy further grace for the rouzing up of my ſlothful and ſluggiſh Nature from ſin and evil, that I may walk in thy Commandements with all cheerfulneſs this day and evermore.

Pardon (O Lord, I beſeech thee) all fore-paſt evils, abominations of my life and converſation. Cut off the roots, boughs, leaves, and fruits of the evil tree of my corrupt heart: put away the inward luſts, doubtings, and denyings of thy providence, with all thoſe groſs and outward ſins which I have committed, and do daily affect and effect againſt thee: and give me a ſure hope of thy gracious pardon, and everlaſting life, that alwaies, while I am in this World, I may have the taſte and feeling of it in my heart.

Give me Grace, O Lord, to ſhun and

and to avoid all those things which thou either hatest, or hast no pleasure in. Take from me a proud look, and a deceitful tongue, bloody hands, and a heart any waies given to wicked imaginations. Keep me this day from all perils, that may come either unto my Soul or Body, either by Satan himself, or any of his Ministers: Bless my Senses and Understanding, that in all things I may hear and speak Reason: and suffer me not (I beseech thee) to speak, think, or do any thing this day, but that which may please thee, be answerable to my vocation, and tend unto the advancement of thy Glory, and the health of my Soul.

O Lord, I pray thee send thy blessing upon all my labours, and give me a willing mind to help them that have need, according to my ability, and so prepare my heart in all my business, that I may

may alwaies begin it in thy Name, and go forward in thy fear, and finish it with thy blessing; that whatsoever I shall do, it may prosper. Grant this (O Lord) for Jesus Christs sake, our only Mediator and Redeemer, *Amen.*

Noon.

A Prayer for Patience.

O God, which art the God of Patience, and giveſt Conſolations to them that be patient, slay my unbridled nature this day and ever, from all diſcontentedneſs of mind, doubtings, fears murmurings, and furious Actions. Give me grace to take in good part whatſoever ſhall befall me, and let my heart acknowledge it to be the Lords doing, to come from thy providence, and not by chance. Quiet my Soul in the manifold diſquietings of this world; and open mine eyes when my need ſhall be, that I may ſee help

help in thee. Prevent all evil that may befall me, and turn all things to the best for my good in thee. Grant me patience, and thy Will to me be done in Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

Saturday.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 88. 1, 2. *O Lord God of my Salvation, I have cryed day and night before thee. Let my prayer come before thee; incline thine ear unto my cry.*

BLessing, and Glory, and Wisdome, and Thanksgiving, and Honour and Power, and Might, be unto thee, O Lord, most high and immortal God, for thy gracious goodness and mercy extended to me this day and alwaies: notwithstanding all my wickednesses which cry daily against me, and mine

mine Enemies that would ſwallow me up; I beſeech thee (O Lord) be ſtill my God and my Lord, and continue thy gracious and merciful favour unto me. Forgive me all that is paſt, even all the evil that I have done or thought, and grant that I may ever hereafter ſerve and pleaſe thee in holineſs and newneſs of life. Be thou my ſhield and defence againſt the ſuggeſtions, illuſions, and temptations of Satan; againſt all the allurements and baits of the fleſh, with all alterations, provocations, changes and chances of the world: ſanctifie me with thy Grace, that I may keep my Body undefiled as the Temple of the Holy Ghoſt, and that my Soul may be defended, cheriſhed, and tendered as the apple of thine eye, from all the pollutions of ſinful luſts.

O good God, the Sun is gone down, the Web of this day is almoſt

moſt ſpun, and the night is at hand: bleſs me (I beſeech thee) this night, and take me into thy cuſtody: ſave me waking, keep me ſleeping, that I may both ſleep and wake in peace and ſafety: Let the ſhadow of thy wings be my covert, the Holy Ghoſt my comfort, and thy holy Name my Rock and defence againſt all evil, fear, damage, or danger, which may overtake me this night, or any other time. Prepare me (O Lord) for the day following, the holy Sabbath, the hallowed day of thy Reſt, and my great duty; and then ſo unlock the myſteries of thy holy Word unto me, that I may therein ſee the things of thy glorious Majeſty, learn the leſſons of mine own duty, and rightly underſtand the certainty of my mortality.

Grant me (O Lord) ſuch grace as I may make a right uſe of all things, and that the hearing of thy

thy holy Word, and the good example of thy ſervants, agreeing with the rule of thy Law, may be both as a bridle to reſtrain me from ſin, and a ſpur to ſet me forward to all holineſs of life and converſation in this World. O Lord, grant me theſe, and all other good things, even for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, my only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another Prayer to be ſaid in the night, upon our awaking.

Pſal. 66.20. *At midnight I will riſe to give thanks unto thee, becauſe of thy righteous Judgements.*

O Lord Jeſus, who to deliver thy holy Apoſtle Saint *Peter* from the fury of a cruel Tyrant, didſt by an Angel awake him in the dead of the night; and haſt now awaked me thy poor ſervant, long before the day break; I bleſs thee, and with all humble thank-

praiſe thee for that portion of comfortable reſt which thou haſt given me from my down-lying unto this preſent hour, beſeeching thee to forgive and forget my omiſſion of ſuch duties as I ſhould have performed before I fell aſleep.

O bleſſed Saviour, who didſt watch and pray when thy Diſciples were aſleep, and ſpenteſt many nights in prayer for my ſake, pardon my forgetfulneſs, drouzineſs, and dulneſs in heavenly matters; mine idle dreams, and wandering thoughts in prayer and meditation; and pray to thy Father, and my God, thine by nature, mine by his grace and thine, that none of theſe things be laid to my charge.

Keep me in this *interim* from all evil and vain cogitations, from temptations of the Enemy, and ungodly deſigns; that ſo long as I ſhall be awake, I may, as thy holy ſervants *Paul* and *Silas* did, at mid-

midnight meditate upon thy ſacred Law, and all holy things, *Amen.*

Another Prayer to be ſaid when we cannot ſleep.

O Lord God, by whoſe Ordinance King *Ahaſuerus* one night could not ſleep in his own bed, and yet through thy gracious Providence thy Apoſtle S *Peter*, ſlept quietly, though guarded and chained in Priſon: I beſeech thee to behold how my ſleep is broken, ſo that I cannot take my natural reſt kindly, and to have compaſſion upon my weak conſtitution, which yet deſireth further nouriſhment. Lord, let no buſineſs, cares, or fear, trouble my head longer at this time, but ſo ſettle my brain in thi quiet of the night, that I may lay me down in peace, and take my reſt; my body receiving his due refreſhing, but my mind continually watching unto thee, for Jeſus Chriſts ſake, *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Morning.

O Lord God, most mighty and merciful Father, I thine unworthy creature and servant, acknowledge mine own vileness, natural corruption, and abominable sins, many times and divers ways committed against thee: So that I am not worthy to come near thy Sanctuary, or to approach the uttermost limits of the place where thine honour dwelleth: Yet, I beseech thee, for his sake in whom thou art so well pleased, my Lord Jesus Christ, vouchsafe to admit me to tender thee my bounden thanks, for thy manifold mercies extended towards me this night past, and all other times of my life, for my rest and sleep, my food, and raiment, my health, peace, and liberty, and the hope of a better life, in the merits of thy Sons bitter Passion. And, dear Father, I beseech thee to continue

tinue thy merciful favour unto me this day, and ever hereafter. Forgive me all mine unthankfulness, unkindness, and profaneness towards thee, thy Word, and Service, or towards my Neighbour. Set all my sins over to that reckoning which thy Son Jesus Christ my Lord hath made up for them upon his Cross: never lay any of them to my charge, but freely forgive and forget all.

O Lord, strike my heart with thy Rod, that I may always be furnished with a true and unfeigned repentance; that I may not be blind in my sins to delight in them, or to think that thou wilt not respect my untowardness, but that I may be weary of them, grieve for them, and by all means possible strive to attain a true mortification of the flesh, and so to live holily, and justly, and soberly in this present world.

O good God, I humbly entreat thee, leave me not to my ſelf, mine own luſt and deſires; but aſſiſt me with thy grace to hearken unto thee, and thy Word, and to paſs my time in fear and trembling as an obedient Child of ſo good a Father.

Bleſs me, Lord, this day, and proſper all that I ſhall take in hand: let me have all my directions from thy Will, and the ſucceſs from thy merciful hand. Give me a competent ſtay for the maintenance of this mortal life. Continue my food and rayment, health, peace, and liberty; that I may, with a quiet mind and thankful heart, paſs my time in this vale of miſery, doing good to all men after mine ability without diſgrace to my ſelf, or harm to any one.

Grant theſe good things, moſt merciful God, and all other needful graces, not only unto me, but unto all thy dear Children in the

world

world, to the good of our Souls and Bodies, for Jesus Christ his sake; in whose Name I further call upon thee, as he hath taught us in his Gospel, saying, *Our Father which art in Heaven*, &c.

A Prayer for the Evening.

O Eternal God, and most merciful Father, I do confess against my self, that my heart and hands are full of all filthiness and sins whatsoever, and I am altogether unworthy to speak unto thee, or to come near thy presence. Nevertheless being so much bound unto thee, as this day past, and all other times of my life do witness, I offer unto thy Majesty (by the hand of Jesus Christ my Mediator) my humble duty of praise and thanksgiving, for my Election, Creation, Redemption, Vocation, and Sanctification, with all other good graces appertaining to this life, or that which is to come.

And namely, O Lord, my tongue and lips ſhall glorifie thee, ſitting above the Cherubims: for preſerving me this day paſt from ſo many miſeries and caſualties, whereinto I might juſtly have fallen, if thou wouldſt have entered into judgement with me But (O Lord) thou art merciful, and paſſeſt by mine offences, to win me by thy long-ſufferance: I beſeech thee, make me thankful for thy mercies, ready and willing to make a good uſe of thy moſt gracious forbearance, and carefull to do thy Will, with all conſcience and conſtancy.

O Lord, pardon and forgive me all my ſinnes, grant me every day more and more the ſight and feeling of them, with hearty ſorrow and unfeigned repentance for the ſame. Give me grace to believe all the ſweet Promiſes that thou haſt made unto me in Chriſt Jeſus, both for the remiſſion of

my ſins, and the hope of a better life: ſtrengthen me from above with thy mighty hand to walk in every good way without fear, and to bring forth the fruits of a true and lively faith in my life and converſation, all the dayes of my pilgrimage here.

Arm me, O Lord, with thy Grace and holy Spirit, againſt all the common corruptions of the world, the temptations of the Devil, and the allurements of the fleſh: and ſettle my mind to the continual exerciſe of devout prayer, with the hearing of thy ſacred Word, watching for thy coming both publick and private.

Continue thy goodneſs towards me, in providing for me ſuch things as are neceſſary for the maintenance of this preſent life; and bleſs the ſame under my hand, that the little which I have by thy goodneſs may be increaſed, and the increaſe may ſerve as well

to furnish my necessary uses, as to minister unto the necessity of others, according to my ability.

Keep me, Lord, this night from all evils, which may happen either unto my Body or my Soul. Extend thy goodness towards all those that depend upon me, or upon them. Give me quiet sleep and rest; and when I shall awake, let all my thoughts and cogitations be holy Meditations on thee and thy Law. Bless me, O Lord, all the nights and days of my life, and at the end thereof send me a blessed departure, and afterwards a joyful Resurrection unto life eternal.

Grant me these good things, most merciful Father, and all other needful graces, for Jesus Christs sake, in whose Name I shall further call upon thee, as he hath taught us in his Gospel, saying, *Our Father, &c.*

Short

Short Prayers for the Morning and Evening; by *I. F.* 1581.

A ſhort Prayer for the Morning.

O God of light, who haſt preſerved me, and brought me from the darkneſs of this night, ſhine into my heart this day and ever, by thy bleſſed and holy Spirit, that I may be enlightned, and led into all truth, that I may walk faithfully, as the child of light before thee, caſting away the works of darkneſs, in the place that thou haſt ſet me, doing and performing diligently thoſe things that thou haſt required of me, either to the praiſe of thy Name, or the comfort of my brethren. Grant this, good Lord, I humbly beſeech thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, *Amen.*

A ſhort Prayer for the Evening.

I Thank thee, O Father, for thy gracious protection of me this

day; I beſeech thee keep me alſo this night under the ſhadow of thy wings, that I reſting in thee may find ſuch comfort and ſtrength both of body and ſoul, as may enable me to the performance of my duty. Grant this, I humbly beſeech thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, mine only Saviour, in whoſe Name I further call upon thee, as he hath taught us in his holy Goſpel, ſaying, *Our Father*, &c.

A Prayer to God the Father, as a preparative to the Meditation enſuing.

O Gracious Lord, Almighty and everlaſting God, the Father of my Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, who was born at *Bethlehem*, in great poverty; grant me, I beſeech thee, a room amongſt the Wiſe-men of the Eaſt, to offer the poor Talent of my weak devotion unto him all the day of

my life: even a true Faith, for pure Gold; the perfume of devout prayer, for sweet Frankincense; and hearty sorrow, with bitter tears of Repentance, for dropping Myrrhe.

And because he came into this world in such humility, furnished with such a measure of love, that he was content, without constraint, to be laden with the heavy burthen of all our infirmities, and to carry our woful sorrows: vouchsafe me thy grace, that I may pick up some crumbs under thy Table, and gather up some fruits at the foot of his Cross, that when I shall have seen what *Judas* sold, and the *Jews* bought; what *Judas* lost, and I have gained, I may bathe my soul in the purple stream of his most precious blood, and then entombe him, and lay him up in a believing heart, unto his glorious appearance.

O Lord, since he did

safe to undergo a world of injuries and miseries for my sake, and at the last in a shameful death offered up himself in sacrifice to thee for my Redemption; strengthen my weakness, and cleanse my filthiness, that all the days of my life I being washed (as the Apostle saith), being sanctified, and being justified in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of my God, I may never be without sorrow for my sins, thankfulness for thy benefits, fear of thy judgments, love of thy mercies, nor remembrance of thy presence, *Amen.*

A Meditation, or Prayer, upon the Life, Death, and Passion of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

O Lord Christ Jesus, Son of God, thou holy, mighty and wonderful God and Man: Thou who art the life of the living, and

both in life and death advantage to thy Children: Thou, whose life for our sakes was enfeebled with natural infirmities, and thy death caused by violent sorrows, and yet thy life mild, and thy death quiet. I beseech thee give me a heart of flesh, to weep, lament, and shed tears down my cheeks; if not for thy pains (who did sweat drops of blood trickling down to the ground, and afterwards diedst) yet for my sins, which then bred thy sorrow, and now would work my woe.

Lord, I know that for me, amongst many, the tempest of thy Fathers anger, and fire of his wrath was stirred and kindled against thee, but thou wast innocent and holy, thou art the worship of Israel, Wherefore, now with the Wise men of the East, I come to seek thee in the Stable in Bethlehem; and with all the *Jews*, I come to see thee in Mount *Calvary*

At *Bethlehem*, Lord, where the Manger was thy bed to be born in. In Mount *Calvary*, where the Croſs was thy bed to die on: In *Bethlehem*, where a handful of ſtraw was the Pillow for thy Sacred Head to reſt on: In Mount *Calvary*, where a Crown of Thorns, and a Number of Nails pierced and faſtned both Head and Body: in *Bethlehem*, where coarſe ſwadling Clothes were thy beſt Robes: And in Mount *Calvary*, where thou waſt ſtripped of thy clothes, and thy Body hung naked in much miſery. I come, Lord, to adore thee, to praiſe thee, and to pray thee, that as for thy life-time thou waſt content to be bred, born, and brought up in manifold infirmities, to demonſtrate the truth of thy Humility, and then at thy death thou waſt pleaſed to diſarm thy ſelf, and to be broken with many miſeries, for diſcharge of our captivity, and

thereby to ſeal in our hearts the aſſurance of our acceſs to thy Throne of Grace: So I pray thee, thou wilt be pleaſed, as a gracious King to hold out thy golden Scepter of mercy to my fearful Conſcience, that I may have warrant to come near unto thee, to look into thy wounds, to ſue for compaſſion and pardon, and to taſte of thy goodneſs, who am a ſinful wretch, and a woful creature, full of corruption, and manifold infirmities.

O ſweet Jeſus! How ſhall I recount the large ſeverals of thy long Paſſions, from thy poor Nativity, to thy guiltleſs death? How ſhall I reckon up all the miſeries which thou didſt indure, from thy bloody Sweat and heavy Agon in one Garden, to thy ſtrange Burial in another? How can I think of thy labour in preaching, thy wearineſs in travelling, thy watchfulneſs in praying, thy tem-

in fasting, thy tears in pitying, and not confess more justly of thee, then *David* did of his *Jonathan*; *Very kind hast thou been unto me, thy Love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.*

O Lord, was it not enough for thee to be clothed with the vail of flesh for to love me, but that thou must be compassed also with the shadow of death to save me? Was it not enough to become *Earth*, *Earth*, *Earth*, but thou must become also, *Wo*, *Wo*, *Wo*, and all for me? The God of Heaven to become the Son of man! The Lord of Life to be made the Child of death! The Master turned to be a Servant, and from a Servant to be accounted a bad Servant! Oh Humility without example! O Love beyond measure! O Grace beyond merit!

There was no proof brought, and yet was he scourged without measure: No Indictment found, and

yet hewas crucified without mercy. Oh, the Beloved of the Lord ran through briars of unworthy Passions! Oh, the holy Lamb was betrayed, carried away, bound, condemned, consorted with Malefactors and Thieves: and, like *Jonah*, plunged in the main depth of sorrows, and swallowed up of the Whale of Death.

Oh thou that didst suffer these things, remember for whom thou didst suffer them: Remember me O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, and have mercy upon me.

O Lord Jesus, it is the joy of my heart to hear that thou hast taken and born all mine infirmities; All Spiritual, all Corporal, true Evidences of thy Humanity, but no impediments to thy Charity; all of Soul, and of Body, and not neither deformed in fashion, nor distempered in passion, nor tainted with any guilt of sin.

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All infirmities good in thee, all very neceſſary for me: For, thy ſoul heavy to the death ſhall bring my ſoul with joy to life. Nay, I ſhould never have been heartily merry, except thou hadſt been painfully ſad, and grievouſly ſorrowful. I ſhould never have been verily ſatisfied, except thou hadſt truly hungred and thirſted; I ſhould never have been delivered from fear, and abſolutely bold, except thou hadſt naturally feared; for all was for me.

O thou ever-glorious God, the Conſolation of *Iſrael*, and the Hope of all the ends of the Earth, relieve my careful conſcience, that am ſad, diſordered, and diſturbed in mind for fear of thy Judgements, having diſpleaſed ſuch a gracious God, and ſo loving a Father.

O never let my Soul be overtaken with fear, ſo far as to deſpair; nor overwhelmed with

the Sea of thy wrath, nor appalled with the suggestions of Satan: But let it always hear the voice of thy Blood speaking better things then the blood of *Abel*, and crying not for revenge, but for pardon for me, who by my manifold transgressions have robbed God of his honour, the Church of a member, and my soul of life.

O man of sorrows, but mirrour of Patience! What week of pains was this to thee? What a Good-Friday was that for me! What days of sorrows were then one after another to thee? and yet with what patience diddest thou pass them over; Patient, when *Caiaphas* so despightfully used thee: Patient, when *Pilate* so unrighteously judged thee: Patient, when false *Judas* so cunningly and treacherously saluted thee, designing thee to be taken. Again, patient, when thou diddest carry thine own Cross: Patient

when the Crown of Thorns drew blood from thy ſacred Head: And patient, when all others reviled, reproached, beſpitted, ſcoffed, and abuſed thee.

O thou that ſo patiently and peaceably, mildly and meekly, truly and willingly didſt carry painful and pangful, hainous and heavy ſorrow for me; I beſeech thee, let thy patience diſcharge my impatience, and let thine infirmities ſtrengthen my weakneſs; inform mine ignorance, comfort my ſadneſs, kindle my love, diſcharge my fear, moderate my anger; *O Lord*, grant me patience to bear thy holy Will in all things.

When I deſire grace, O ſweet Jeſus, to fulfil thy Commandment of Love and Charity, which is the end of thy Commandment, where ſhall I take my pattern but from thee? ſuch a Lover as is Love himſelf? for, whom didſt thou not Love? As for thy Diſciples,

thou didst love them as a kind Master doth his Scholars, and cherish them as a good Father doth his children, and stile them with the name of thy friends. Thou didst stoop down to wash their feet that were not worthy to unty thy shooe. Thou didst restore *Peter*, that had abjured thee: Thou didst save the Thief, that dyed with thee: Thou didst confirm *Thomas* that doubted of thee: Thou didst forgive *James* and *John*, that asked too much of thee. Thy bloody Persecutors and Crucifiers (who did curse and execrate themselves and their children, to do thee a mischief) they, even they had thine earnest prayers on the Cross, before thou didst dispose of thy Mother, or pray for thy self. Yea, that *Judas* that betrayed thee, and sold thee for thirty pence, yet made no price of thee, but put it to a *What will ye give me?* and took a base offer;

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thy holy hands did wash his unclean feet, and thy sacred lips did touch his profane mouth.

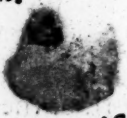
O thou Fountain of Love, thou that dost drench those that love thee in the streams of thy pleasures, and imb[illegible] even thine enemies with [illegible] of compassion, and hast loved mankind with an everlasting love, grant that my love may be out of a pure heart, and a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned. Thou that wouldst be betrayed with a kiss, as it were, to meet death in the middle way; Thou that didst reprove *Peter*, when he dissuaded thee from it, and didst hasten on *Judas*, lest he should be too slack to bring thee to it, give me grace to dye in thy favour, and bring me to life. Kindle, O kindle, my desires to thee, inflame my heart with thankfulness to thee, inspire my soul with the fire of zealous love to thee, that for thy love to me, I may ever-

evermore love thee above all things, and my Neighbour as my self.

This is the *Consummatum est*, O sweet Jesus! Thou hast given me that, which thou didst not ow me, and hast forgiven me that, which I did ow thee: thou wast content to be the by-word of the people, and the curse of the Law, for my sake. Blessed be thy Name, blessed be thy Life, blessed be thy Death: For thy death is my birth; thy Crown of Thorns is my Garland; the scars of thy Body are the Stars of my Firmament; thy gracious wounds are my happy Plaisters; thy bitter myrrhe refresheth me, thine infirmities strengthen me, thy stripes heal me, and thy blood cleanseth me.

Lo, I have nothing to take to, but what I have from thee: Therefore *Bone Jesu, esto mihi Jesus*, O good Jesus, make good thy good Name *Jesus* unto me, and

let thy paſſion work compaſſion for me; that by thy mercy, I may obtain remiſſion of my ſins; and by thy merits, I may obtain everlaſting ſalvation in the Kingdom of Heaven, *Amen.*



Amor meus crucifixus eſt.

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SUPPLICATIONS OF SAINTS.

The Second Part.

PAUL and his Company.

Acts 21. 5.

They brought us on our way, with wives and children, and we kneeled down on the shore, and prayed.

Chrysostom. Tom. 2. in Joan. Hom. 1. Cap. 1.

Not only at Church, but at Home, also let the Man and the Wife, the Father and the Children speak of those things.

This Part containeth Prayers for divers Purposes, to be uttered with Company.

A Morning Prayer for priuate Families.

Mat. 18. 20. *Where two or three are gathered together in my Name, there am I, in the midſt of them.*

O Eternal God, and moſt merciful Father, which giveſt to them that want, comforteſt them which ſuffer, and forgiveſt them which repent; We ſinful creatures ſue unto thee for Grace, hoping in thy mercy towards us, which is over all. Keep us, we beſeech thee, this day, as thou haſt kept us this night paſt; keep us in thy fear, faith, and love. Forgive us all our ſins in the blood of thy Son; teach us to ſorrow for them; and ſeparate them from us, that would ſeparate us from thee.

O Lord, remove from our minds all ignorance and blindneſs, and make thy Word unto us like the

Star which led the Wise-men to Christ, and all thy works, profitable instruments to draw us unto thee. Guide us with thy Spirit, that we may make Conscience of all that we do, and never make light of any evil, but even abstain from all appearance of it. Strengthen our weakness, and lighten our Understanding, that in the brunt of Temptation we may discern between good and evil, right and wrong, and receive Comfort.

Give us the sacred hunger and thirst after righteousness, that our first care may be to know thy truth; and let us so profit in the School of Christ, that in sickness we may find patience; in prison, joy; in poverty, contentment; and in all things, hope.

Prosper (O Lord) our labours, and the works of our hands, and give us hearts to learn something of every thing, and to make a spiritual

ritual use of all our earthly actions and occasions, till we come to lodge with thee in the Kingdom of Heaven. Let our loving affections grow one towards another unfeignedly, that we may love our brethren and they us, and pray for them, and they for us, and both of us be heard of thee for our selves, and one for another, and thy Son for us all.

Bless, Lord, the universal Church, with truth, peace, soundness of Doctrine, and holy Discipline. Continue thy mercies towards this Realm; preserve our Gracious King, the Queens Majesty; the Queen Mother, the Duke, and their whole Family. Sanctifie the studies and lives of the Ministers of the Gospel, and all other that labour in the Word and Doctrine. Bless His Majesties most honourable Privy Council, and all other in Authority, with necessary graces.

Bless the Nurseries of good

learning, all Grammar Schools, the famous Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, and the Inns of Court. Bless this City and place wherein we live, remove the punishments due for the sins thereof, and give them grace truly to repent in time, lest they be destroyed.

Bless all our friends, kinsfolk, and others, for whom thou hast appointed us to make Prayers and Supplications; Strengthen them that suffer for thy cause, and send them the comforts of thy Spirit: Comfort them that lye in anguish of Conscience for remorse of sin, and convert them that go astray, and teach us by their examples to see our own weakness, and to look better to our ways. Bless this Family with grace and peace, that the Rulers, children, and servants thereof, may all know their several duties, and practise the same in thy fear, for Jesus Christs sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

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Another of the same.

Psalm 108. 3. *I will praise the Lord among the people, and I will sing praises unto thee among the Nations.*

O Lord God, most Heavenly and merciful Father, though we be unworthy the least of thy mercies, yet hast thou from time to time made us partakers of many, for which we praise and magnifie thy Holy Name, beseeching thee to give us Understanding hearts, to feel our evils; and direction and assistance from thy Spirit, to avoid the same. And as thou hast in great mercy kept us this night, in the time of darkness and dangers; so we beseech thee to keep us this day, that the Sun of Righteousness may rule in our hearts, & all the darkness that lurketh in them may be scattered, to the comfort of our Souls, and

we may walk as thy Children, in clear light, without danger. Endue us with gifts and graces needful for us, and grant that with a pure and sincere Conscience, we may use them to the benefit of our brethren, and the discharge of our own duties. Keep the watch of our Tongue, and the door of our Lips, in such sort, that no rash, evil, or vain word pass thereby; and so rule and govern our hearts, that we may not mind or think any thing, but that which shall be to thy Glory.

Grant us thy blessings of health, peace, and maintenance, so far as thou seest them good for us, and especially thy holy Spirit, to instruct us, as well in the wants thereof, as in the lawful use of them. In all our Consultations, Words, and Works, let us remember thy presence, that thou seest us, whersoever we do bestow our selves: and wilt judge us, if we go astray

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and do amiſs. Chaſe away from us all rancour and malice, covetouſneſs, uncharitableneſs, and unkindneſs, and whatſoever is contrary to thy love, which is to us-ward in Jeſus Chriſt our Lord.

Take from us all ignorances and negligences, with the want of judgement and diſcretion; and prevent all thoſe things that thou knoweſt may hinder us in our Chriſtian Calling. Increaſe our faith, patience, and obedience. Let thy bleſſing be upon this whole houſhold, to lead us in thy truth, and protect us in our ways, and all thoſe whom thou haſt made dear unto us, whether they be preſent or abſent. Be good to our children, ſervants and friends, that live with us, that we may live together in the ſervice of thy Goſpel, to grow up in godly converſation, and ſoundneſs of Faith. Give us grace, by thy corrections, to fear thee more carefully, and to

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sorrow for our sins more heartily; O Lord, grant these things, and whatsoever else thou knowest to be necessary for us, for Jesus Christs sake, *Amen.*

An Evening Prayer for private Families.

Psal. 116. 18. *What shall I give unto the Lord for all his benefits towards me? Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.*

O Lord God, Father of Mercies, Creator of Heaven and Earth, we render unto thee thanks in all abundance for thy merciful preservation of us this day, and all the times and days of our life, that thou hast brought us safe and sound through so many dangers, and poured upon us (contrary to our deserving) so many excellent and notable blessings and benefits, both spiritual and corporal.

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Good Lord (we beſeech thee) keep us evermore, from day to day, as thou haſt done, and make us conſtant in the profeſſion of thy holy Name, and the practiſe of thy Law, that neither the violence of Man, nor ſubtilty of Satan, be able to make us to turn away from thee, Lord, turn thy face from our ſins, wherein we have ſo delighted, alter our hearts, and waſh and cleanſe us from all ſtains and corruptions, in the blood of thy Son. Forgive us all that is paſt, and grant us the aſſurance of that forgiveneſs ſealed up in our conſciences by thy holy Spirit. Kindle thy love ſo fervently in our hearts, that we may deteſt, whatſoever is againſt thee and thy Word.

Forgive us our great contempt, and intolerable barrenneſs in good works, our foul unthankfulneſs, and the abuſe of thy grace; and ſtrike our ſtony hearts with the

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rod of thy fear, that we may attain unto a due thankfulneſs for thy benefits, and a moſt unfeigned and earneſt repentance for our ſins.

O Lord, bleſs us all this night, that after our bodies haye been refreſhed with competent ſleep, we may ſee the light of the next morning, and riſe ſafe and ſound, to ſerve thee in our ſeveral vocations; ſanctifie our minds, that by the help of thy mercy we may enjoy the reſt of a quiet conſcience: Bleſs thy Church, and her Miniſters; preſerve our King, with the Queen, his Wife: protect the Magiſtrates of Juſtice, and all faithful people: rear up thy heavy-hearted that mourn in Sion, and turn the chaſtiſements of thy children to their good.

Lord, be merciful unto them whom thou haſt made any way helpful unto us, and bleſs every one of us in our place, that we may

may truly ſerve thee, fear thy Majeſty, and love thy authority; Theſe things (*O Lord*) and all other, needful for us, we do crave at thy hands, in the Name, and for the Righteouſneſs of Jeſus Chriſt, our only Saviour and Redeemer, ſaying, as he hath taught us, *Our Father which art, &c.*

Another for the ſame uſe.

Pſalm 113. 3. *From the riſing of the Sun, unto the going down of the ſame, the Lords Name is to be praiſed.*

O Ever-living God, and our ever-loving Father, which haſt not left us comfortleſs, but haſt given us thy Son for a ranſom, thy Word for a guide, and reſerved a Kingdom for our inheritance in Heaven: We give thee thanks for theſe, and all other thy moſt gracious benefits, beſeeching thee, that we may have the Grace to make ſuch uſe of them, that they may

may never be in vain to us. O Lord, forgive us all our ſins, remove from us thoſe things which our conſciences are afraid of: Aſſure us of thy gracious pardon, and renew us by thy holy Spirit, that we may unfeignedly hate and deteſt whatſoever is diſpleaſing unto thee; Lord, give us a ſincere heart to ſerve thee: and let this be the hour of our Converſion; in all temptations, give us ſtrength to reſiſt and overcome: in all troubles, patience to bear: and grant that we may conſtantly perſevere in our Faith, Hope and Patience, unto the end; that the hope of mercy may keep us from the horrour of deſpair, and the fear of Juſtice from the ſin of preſumption.

O good God, order our times in ſuch comfortable ſort, that we having peace in thee, our bodies and minds may be the more able to do their ſeveral Offices in our

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vocation. Instruct us by thy Word, guide us by thy Spirit, mollifie us by thy grace, humble us by thy corrections, and win us by thy benefits.

O Lord, we beseech thee, let all things work for the best to us that desire truly to love thee. Continue thy favour and goodness unto us this night, that we, taking our natural rest and quietness, may through thy protection be all defended from immoderate sleep, fearful dreams, and outward violence of our enemies, and all imminent danger. Touch our hearts with a desire and longing after heavenly things, that whensoever it shall please thee to call for us, we may be willing to come unto thee, as children to their Father, strangers unto their Country, and members of thy Body unto the Head.

Grant us (O Lord) these and all other things needful and meet for

for us, for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

A form of Prayer to serve for Morning and Evening in a Family.

O God of Glory, and Father of mercy, eternal and incomprehensible Majesty, in whom we sinful creatures do live, move, and have our Being; favourably hear our unperfect Prayers, and mercifully grant our needful suits.

Great is our debt to thy *All good Greatness*, for thy great goodness bestowed upon us in our Election, Creation, and Sanctification, in our Understanding, Health, Wealth, and Peace, together with thy gracious preservation of us this

(*In the Morning.*)

Night past, from fire and water, Theeves, and Robbers, Death and Desolation.

(*At*

(*At Evening*)

Day past from wilful sinning,
eadly hurts, Fire, and Water,
Thieves and Robbers.

Besides our maladies and mi-
eries, which our forgetfulness of
hee, neglect of our selves, natu-
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Behold, we are here before thy
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ended knees, and hands lifted up,
doring thy Majesty, and praising
hy mercy, for this and all other
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ng in the zeal of thy holy Pro-
het, *Blessed be the Lord God of*
srael, from everlasting to everlast-
ng: Amen and Amen.

O Lord, look not upon our un-
worthiness, but turn thy Face from
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ence. Remember, O Lord, *Joseph*'s afflictions, *Paul*'s bonds, *Mary Magdalen*'s tears, *Job*'s trials, *Lazarus*'s sickness; and let *Stephen*'s death be always dear in thy sight. Let our loving affections so mutually grow one towards another, that we may live together in love, professing with one heart, and one mind, a true Faith, and labouring to keep a holy and acceptable conversation: that we may forgive our Brethren, and they us, to pray for them, and they for us: and in the outward things of this world, be helpful unto them, and they to us: Let thy blessing be upon this Household, the Rulers, Children, and Servants thereof. Guid us in our ways, and lead us in thy Truth, that every one of us may know our several duties, and perform them in thy fear. Bless our Parents, Kindred, and Friends, wheresoever they remain in this world: en-

endue them all with gifts and graces needful and requisite for their several estates, degrees and callings.

In the morning.

Prosper our labours, and bless our just indeavours, in all the work which we are to take in hand this day, and ever, and give us thy blessings of health, peace, maintenance, and safety.

At Evening.

O Lord, bless us all this night, and save us from noysome dreams, sudden incursions, and all violent hands, and other dangers: That after our Bodies have been refreshed with competent sleep, to suffice Nature, we may see the light of the next morning, and arise safe and sound, to serve thee in our several vocations, willingly and chearfully. Good Lord, we beseech thee, grant us all these blessings, gifts and graces, and whatsoever else thou knowest to

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be neceſſary for us: Hear us for thy Church, and thy Church for us, and thy Chriſt for us all: In whoſe Name, and abſolute form of prayer, we conclude theſe our weak requeſts unto thee, ſaying as he hath taught us; *Our Father, which art* &c.

A Prayer for the Catholick Church and all the Eſtates thereof.

Pſal. 125. 4. *Do good (O Lord) unto thoſe that be good, and to them that are upright in their hearts.*

O Son of the Eternal God, thou ſweet Spouſe of the Church, bleſs (we beſeech thee) preſerve and keep thy poor Church Militant here on Earth, the bleſſed company of all faithful people. Make all Kings and Princes, and the Supream Governours of every Nation, careful Nurſing Fathers, and Nurſing-Mothers to the ſame. Let all the Members

thereof be of one mind, and one heart, that there may be such holy Concord in the knowledge of thy Truth, and such Obedience to their Superiours, with brotherly Unity in all matters, as they may neither produce thy scourge, nor the Princes Swords against them. Grant the Gospel a free passage, and long continuance in prosperity, and remove not the Candlestick for the unfruitfulness or unthankfulness of the Professours. Put thy principal Spirit upon the Ministers of the Word, the Archbishops, Bishops, and Pastors of the several Congregations, and give them Grace to follow the steps of thy Holy Apostles, and blessed Martyrs, that being inflamed with true zeal, and furnished with sufficient Knowledge, they may be willing to labour in season and out of season, for the feeding of thy flock. Bless their labours, to the winning of Souls

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to thee, and bleſs them with boldneſs of ſpeech, and innocency of life, that like ſworn Souldiers to the Croſs of Chriſt, they may live and die under thy Banner. Caſt down the Beams of thy Heavenly Light upon ſuch publick places as are appointed for the training up of younger years in ſound knowledg and commendable qualities, namely our Univerſities, *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, the Court, and all Grammar-Schools, the Seed-plots of the Church: Sanctifie their memories to treaſure up good things, purge their Conſciences to have peace in thee, reform their wills to thy Will, and let all their Affections be ordered aright, and their Veſſels ſeaſoned with the beſt liquour in the beginning, and ſo to continue. Bleſs the higher powers of Authorit, make them truly humble in the top of their height, that their heads being lifted up to honour,

their hearts may not be puffed up, nor ſwell with pride; but ſo rule their hearts and minds, that all Kings and Princes may truly ſerve thee, revereuce and ſtand in aw of thee, defend and maintain thy Church and Truth, and wiſely fore-ſee what is beſt for the advancement of thy Glory, and the good of the Common-wealth. So deal alſo (*O Lord*) with all ſubordinate Authorities, and keep them from Factions, Treaſons, and Conſpiracies. Let the Judges be learned, and uncorrupt; and the Lawyers, men of Conſcience, to deal ſincerely and uprightly in their buſineſs, without either fear of greater perſonages, or doing of unlawful favours to friends, or deſire of reward from any. Calm the waves, and quiet the ſtorms of all perſecutions, repreſs the rage and cruelty of all Tyrants, Heathen or Chriſtian. Take away all Antichriſtian practices of the Church of

of *Rome*, which perſwades nothing but the infection of youth, and ſubverſion of the State: confound all Hereſies and Hereticks, diſperſe all Schiſms and Sects, that there be no jars, nor differences of Opinions among thy Servants; but that we maybe like-minded, having the ſame love, being of one accord, and of one judgment. In fine (*O Lord*) comfort them that are over-worn with war, waſted with exactions, vexed with plagues and ſickneſſes, conſumed with Famine, over-flown with waters, and ſcared with fearful Threatnings from the Skies. Convert the ſimple, confound the obſtinate, gather the diſperſed, heal the broken-hearted, ſupply our wants, and amend all that is amiſs for thy Truth, and for thy Names ſake, *Amen.*

Another for the ſame uſe.

Epheſ. 5. 25, 26. *Chriſt loved the Church, and gave himſelf for it, that he might ſanctifie and cleanſe it with the waſhing of water by the Word.*

O Lord God, thou juſt Maſter of the Vineyard, and loving Head of the Church, ſend down thy holy Spirit into the hearts of all them that preach or profeſs thy holy Truth, all men religious and ſecular; yea men and women, Princes and Subjects, rich and poor; even all the people believing in thy Name, and depending upon thy Grace and Mercy. Give unto them all, O Lord, *One Law, one Baptiſm, one Hope, one Spirit*, tha there may be but one voice among all that profeſs the Catholique Faith. Keep back the Famine of thy Word, and ſend ſuch Labourers into thy Harveſt, as be ſound in Doctrine, faithful in their work

work, and godly in Converſation, that they may be in number many, and in power wonderful, and effectual. Open, we beſeech thee, the hearts and ears of the people, for the receiving of thy Word, that it may *dwell in them plentifully in all wiſdom*, and bring forth fruit againſt all the cares, croſſes, and courſes of this wretched World. O Lord, thou haſt found iniquity in thy Saints, and the Heavens are not clean in thy ſight: O then correct us in thy judgement, not in thy fury, leſt we ſhould be conſumed and brought to nothing. Purge the Garden of the Church, and let no weeds overgrow the flowers. Suffer neither ſin nor ſuperſtition to choke the good growth of Faith or manners in thy people, but keep them from all evil Hereſies, phantaſtical Opinions, ſeducing ſpirits, and deadly contentions: Keep our necks from the grievous yoke of Antichriſti-

and bondage, whoſe Religion is Rebellion, whoſe Faith is Faction, and whoſe practice is the murthering of Souls and Bodies; and repreſs the furiouſneſs of Tyrants, which labour for nothing but the ſpoil of the Church, and the abolishment of true Doctrine, Prayer, and true Religion. O Lord Jeſu, amend all that is amiſs, and grant us thy grace all the days of our life, even for thy Truth, and for thy Names ſake, *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Kings Majeſty, his Royal Kindred, and Family.

Eccleſ. 10. 17. *Bleſſed art thou, O Land, when thy King is the Son of Nobles.*

O Almighty God, King of all Kings, the Fountain, Rule, and ſtay of all Sovereignty; we moſt humbly thank thee, that thou haſt not left us unto our ſelves, to do what ſeemeth beſt in our own eyes.

eyes, but hast set over us a Noble, wise and Gracious King, thy Servant *Charles*, our Supream Head and Governour, next under thee. Lord, make all thy goodness and grace to go before him day and night: uphold his Crown, maintain his State, give him continual peace, long life, and much happiness; Endue him with Wisdom and Understanding in the Church and Common-wealth, as may be acceptable in thy sight, profitable to his Subjects, and hurtful to none that love thy Truth. Mercifully hear him in all his Petitions, and effectually work for him in all dangers, in the day of battle; in his greatest Consultations; in the time of his Recreations, in the plots of Treason, and all other wicked Designs of his Enemies; and in the hour of Death. Make us thankful for all thy preservations of him, both at home and abroad, in this Kingdom, and

elsewhere, Bless, preserve, and keep him, together with the Vertuous Queen *KATHERINE*, the Noble Prince *JAMES* Duke of *York*, with the rest of the Royal Progeny; That as they are like Olive Branches to his comfort, round about his Table, so they may be as tall and goodly Cedars for the defence of this Kingdom from all evil, and Instruments of good in thy Church abroad. Let him still embrace thy Truth, and manfully maintain it against all treacherous plots, and sinister perswasions; distasting (as he hath alwayes done) both alteration of true Religion, and Toleration of any other. Let thy power alwayes go forth with his Armies, and give them glorious Victories: Banish from his Court all privy foes, forraign and domestical, and keep him from all sorts of dissemblers.

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Let not our sins *(O Lord)* provoke thee to shorten his days, and deprive us of thy good blessings, but convert us to thy good Will and pleasure, and give him the Crown of old age, long and long to continue in the ways of righteousness.

O Holy Father, give him such excellent gifts, as befit the Majesty which he beareth, that he may be in Faith like *Abraham*; in courage like *David*, in wisdome like *Solomon*, and in hearing good and evil as an Angel of God. Enrich his Counsel and Nobles with wisdom, loyalty, and fortitude; and make his servants that stand before him in their several places (with all other Subjects) as so many lines drawn to one Center, that their hearts being tied unto him, they may be always fearful to offend, willing to obey, and faithful to accomplish, whatsoever may stand with thy glo-

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ry, our Kings honour, and the good of thy Church and Commonwealth, for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another, for the same use.

2 Tim. 2. 1, 2. *Let Supplications, Prayers, Intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for Kings, and for all that are in Authority.*

O Almighty God, which hast the Kings heart in thy hand as the Rivers of waters, and turnest it whithersoever it pleaseth thee; we humbly beseech thee to keep thy Universal Church, and our Commonwealth, with peace and prosperity, in thy Worship and Service. Give (*O Lord*) grace unto our most Noble King *Charles*, that he may love, honour, fear, and serve thee, and that he may only put his trust in thee; Endue him with the spirit of wis-

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dom and knowledg, and with all other good gifts and vertues necessary for his Royal Function: and especially inflame his heart with an earnest and true zeal, to set forth thy Glory, and to make thy Will known unto all his Subjects, that they may both with heart and mind observe and keep the same; and that both with heart and mind his subordinate Magistrates may indifferently and faithfully minister Judgment and Justice to all his people.

We beseech thee *(O Lord)* preserve his body in health, his mind in quietness, and both in all sincerity and goodness; that by his good example he may both stop the mouths of his Adversaries, and win the hearts of all those that believe and profess thy Gospel, Make his days *(O Lord) as the days of Heaven*, that he may Reign many years over us, and we his Subjects may long live a peace-

peaceable and quiet life, in all godlineſs and honeſty, under his ſacred Government.

Grant unto him wiſe and faithful Counſellours, loving and obedient Subjects, dutiful and true ſervants. Deliver him *(O Lord)* from all Conſpiracies, Treaſons, and other dangers, and grant him always a glorious victory over all his Enemies.

Pardon and forgive him all his ſins: make him walk all the days of his life in the ways of thy Commandments, that he may live in thy fear, and die in thy favour, and that in the Reſurrection of all fleſh he may receive a Crown of Righteouſneſs, the only thing which he doth wiſh and hope for, through the merits and mercies of Jeſus Chriſt, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer againſt the Temptations of the World, the Fleſh, and the Devil.

Mat. 21. 14. *Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation.*

O Moſt merciful and mighty God, the Fortreſs of the faithful, a rock of Defence, and Refuge for all diſtreſſed Souls, which knoweſt we be ſet in the middeſt of ſo great dangers, that, without thy help we cannot avoid our ruine; I beſeech thee, keep my body and ſoul from all temptations and ſnares of the Devil, and ſuffer not my Senſes to range and wander abroad in matters of pleaſures and delight, which are to no purpoſe. Good Lord, take from me that which is deformed and polluted by my corrupt Nature, and work and eſtabliſh that which thy Grace hath wrought in me, that having thy whole armour fitted

fitted unto me, I may be able to withstand all assaults of the Enemy. Let not me be drawn away by sensuality, or any of the desires of the flesh, but give me power to tame this body, that by sobriety, moderation, and abstinence from superfluous things, I may bring it into such subjection, as I may the better serve thee, and walk in the Spirit. Lord, Sequester me from the darkness, filthiness, and deceitfulness of this world, that I be not fashioned like thereunto, to follow the multitude; but being changed by the renewing of my mind, I may walk uprightly and godlily, looking for the blessed appearing of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *O Lord*, be favourable and gracious to me in the day of tryal, and lead me no further into any temptation, then thou wilt make me able to bear. Grant, *O LORD*, that I may with strong Faith resist Sathan, and by

by watching, fasting, and prayer, mortifie the lust of the flesh; and by continual Meditation of thy holy Law avoid the foolish vanities, and dangerous pleasures of this world.

Let not knowledge puff me up, prosperity mislead me, poverty dismay me, sicknesses turn me to impatiency, nor this life bring me to distrust in thy providence, or force me to seek unlawful means to win them. Arm me *(O Lord)* with thy Spirit, encourage me with thy presence; and let all thy children feel the effectual working of thy power, which is ever made perfect through weakness, even for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer for Remission of Sins, and all things necessary thereto.

Psalm 106. 6. *We have sinned with*

with our Fathers, we have committed iniquity, and we have done wickedly.

O Lord God, in Greatneſs infinite, in Power Omnipotent, in Counſel Wonderful, and in Judgement terrible: although I miſerable ſinner, have by thy Juſtice truly deſerved everlaſting damnation for my horrible ſins, yet I beſeech thee caſt me not away with them that have not known thee, or ſuch as forget God, or ſuch as run on in their wickedneſs, and never ſay, What have I done? for I appeal from thy rightful Juſtice, to thine unſpeakable mercy, and humbly caſt down my ſelf at thy feet, and confeſs my ſin, beſeeching and begging compaſſion & pardon.

Behold, Lord, I am a piece of that purchaſe that coſt ſo great a price as the blood of thy dear Son, my body and ſoul are the temples of the Holy Ghoſt, the poſts where

whereof are ſprinkled with his precious Blood, which crieth for mercy; and therefore enter not into the courſe of Jugement with me, (for there I know I ſhall be overthrown) but forbear, forgive and acquit me upon that ſatisfaction which he hath made for penitent ſinners.

O Lord, though the ſtipend of my ſin be death, and merit of my tranſgreſſion eternal perdition; yet is thy Mercy above all thy Judgements, and thou canſt forgive more then I can offend: wherefore, I pray thee, ſet his Croſs and Paſſion between thy judgements, and my Soul; look upon me with the eye of mercy and compaſſion, as thou didſt upon the ſinful woman at the Banquet, and the Publican in the Temple, whoſe Pardons are Regiſtred in thy Book for my comfort.

O Lord, bow down the height of thy Deity to behold my vileneſs and

and misery, (a lively image of the prodigal Son,) who know no other help but only thee, my most loving Father, whom I have so highly offended. Pour the Oyl of thy mercy into my defiled and fainting heart; search it, that I may not flatter my self to extenuate my sin; cleanse it, and season it with the salt of thy Grace, to receive and retain all goodness hereafter. *Lord*, I thank thee for thy patience and long-suffering, that thou hast not suddenly (according to my desert) taken vengeance on me, but given me a longer time of repentance; wherefore (I beseech thee) appease thine anger towards me now, but loosen in me the works of darkness. Create in me a new heart: and because thou lookest for my amendment, I beseech thee grant me thy favour, that I may amend; give me grace to repent unfeignedly, with fasting, weeping and mourning, and

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make my faith lively to believ that I am forgiven in Jesus Christ.

Let not the faults of my forefathers light upon my head, who have walked in their sinful steps; neither be angry with me for their sakes; but let the well-doing of Jesus Christ, who hath shed his blood for me, succour me, and procure my pardon. Forgive me all my sins of youth and Age, negligences, and ignorances, thoughts, words, and deeds; and keep me from presumptuous sins. O Lord, look not upon the Pharisee, for he dissembleth; nor upon the Publican first, for he saith little for himself in outward shew; nor upon *Mary Magdalen* only, for she had but seven Devils: but look upon me, that of sinners am the chief, worse then either Pharisee, Publican, or *Mary*, who have as many sins as hairs upon my head, and a greater clog upon my Conscience, then any burthen that man hath

hath to bear, and do therefore openly, earneſtly, unfeignedly and continually call upon thee. O Lord, keep under Satan, that he drive not my Soul upon the Rock of deſpair, quench all the motions of my mind, ſtriving againſt thy Divine pleaſures, and reſtore me in the Image of thy Son, that I may live in thy fear, die in thy favour, reſt in thy peace, riſe in thy power, and remain in thy glory, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer for obtaining of Faith, Hope, and Charity, and all Chriſtian Virtues.

Phil. 4. 19. *My God ſhall ſupply all your wants, according to his riches, in glory, in Jeſus Chriſt.*

O Father of Lights, of whom is every good thing, and every perfect gift, I beſeech thee to bleſs me with all Spiritual bleſſings in Heavenly

Heavenly things in Christ. Increase the little grain of my weak and feeble Faith, direct it to the true object, the merits of Christ Jesus, and let it not be bare and dead, but effectual, working by love. Make me strong therein, and constant to give credit to thy Word, without doubting, and protect me among the divers and manifold Errors, Sects and Heresies of the World, that fight against the foundation. Lord, let me not be disappointed of my hope which I have in thee, but make good thy promises unto me, and so work in my heart that I may have courage in conflict, patience in trouble, and Comfort in all things. Keep me from insolency and pride, and grant me true Humility and lowliness of mind, that I be not puffed up to contemn my brethren; but give me that due consideration of mine own vileness and infirmities, that as dust and ashes I may tremble

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O dear Father, when Satan ſhall accuſe me, my Conſcience bear witneſs againſt me, the whole world forſake me, and all things ſet themſelves againſt me, for my ſins, then ſtrengthen me (I beſeech thee) in thy faith, that I fall not from thee; inflame my cold heart with the Heavenly affection of unfeigned love, that I may love thee (O bleſſed Trinity) with all that I have, above all, and my neighbour as my ſelf.

Grant me a compaſſionate and charitable mind to help and ſuccour others to my ability, to forbear and forgive them, though they be mine enemies: Purge my Veins, and ſuffer not the ſtinking poyſon of envy and wrath to infect my blood; and ſo moderate my affections, that the Sun go not down upon my wrath, but that

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I may be satisfied in knowing that vengeance is thine: Give me grace to follow the examples of all painful and godly labouring men in matters of my vocation, and keep me from the hateful sin of sloth and idleness, the nourisher of vice, and the high-way to beggery. Grant me a contented mind against covetousness, a moderate appetite against gluttony and surfeits, and chaste body from disordered lust. Comfort me, O Lord, in all grievous accidents, and the point of death; and give me grace to fasten all my confidence in thee, that whereas now I see by Faith only (as it were in a glass, darkly) I may then see face to face the only thing which I desire and hope for, through Jesus Christ, *Amen.*

A Prayer before the receiving of the holy Communion.

1 Cor. 11. 26. *As often as ye*

eat this bread, and drink this Cup, ye do shew the Lords death until he come.

O Lord God, merciful Father, which after the Sacrament of Regeneration hast appointed us to receive eft-soon the blessed Sacrament of the Supper, instituted by our Saviour Christ immediately before his death, for confirmation of our Faith; have mercy upon me vile wretch; who for my natural corruptions, and manifold transgressions, am not worthy to approach unto thy Table, or come near thy House.

O Gracious God, pardon me, and disdain not to accept me into thy favour, but forgive me all my sins that I have done, or said, or thought, in pride, wrath, envy, gluttony, sloth, covetousness, or wantonness: give me a true and lively Faith, to believe thy Word, and the promise of my pardon annexed to thy Sacraments.

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Inflame me with love and charity towards all men, to forgive and forget, to do good, to pray for them, that I may follow the steps of my blessed Saviour. Open the eyes of my Understanding, and help me to examine my self concerning my Knowledg, Faith, and Repentance. Give me to hunger and thirst after this Righteousness, satisfie me with this Heavenly food, make me verily partaker of all the Benefits of his Passion. O dear Lord Jesus, since thou hast suffered so many things for my sake, and hast commanded me not to despair, or distrust thy goodness, grant me grace so to eat of this bread, and to drink of this Cup worthily, that I may continually remain in thy grace and favour. O Lord God, the Father, give me the full consolation of this mystery, and commemoration of that most precious death of thy Son and our Saviour Jesus Christ,

that my Faith may be increaſed, my Hope confirmed, my Charity inflamed, my weak Conſcience comforted, all dangers repelled, and my Soul aſſured of her Salvation in the blood of Chriſt: Let no profaneneſs enter into my heart, ſo long as I am about this holy action; but give me grace to receive with purity of heart, and cleanneſs of ſoul, with love, dread, and ſtedfaſt Faith.

Have mercy upon me, good Lord, that by unworthy receiving I be not guilty of his precious Body and Blood, who came down from Heaven, lived with men, and ſwam through a red Sea of blood in his Agony and Paſſion to be my Redeemer. Have mercy upon the whole Church; and to this purpoſe have mercy upon this company, with whom I ſhall now (by thy mercy) communicate in theſe holy Myſteries, that they may ſerve and pleaſe thee in this holy ſervice

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and all other actions of their life, for Jesus Christ his sake, *Amen.*

Another of the same, before the Communion.

1 Cor. 11. 28. *Let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup.*

O Almighty God, and merciful Father, I am a secret sinner, and my heart is a bottomless pit of all Corruptions; wilfully and foolishly, ignorantly, and obstinately, have I sinned against thee unto whose eye all the secrets of my Soul lie open: But now I come unto thee, as a sick man to the Physician, as an unclean man to the Well of Mercy and Grace, offered in the precious Bloodshedding of Jesus Christ, and represented to my soul in this blessed Sacrament. Have mercy upon me (*O Lord*) have mercy upon me and forgive me all the evils that I

am guilty of: give me grace that I may discern the Lords Body, and so receive it spiritually, and by faith in this Sacrament, with such Chastity of body, humbleness of mind, thankfulness of Soul, hearty Contrition, dread and reverence, as is meet for so high a Mystery.

O Lord Jesus, it is truly said of thee, that thou didst receive sinners, and eat with them, and I verily believe that thou art the same still, full of goodness and mercy; wherefore, I beseech thee, leave me not to my self, reject me not from thy Table. Come into my heart, and purge me from all filthiness of the flesh, and of the spirit. Enter into my Soul, seal and sanctifie me both within and without. O Lord, be not angry with me a barren and dry tree, a creature with a face of brass, and heart of flint: I have not shed so many tears as are sufficient to wash thy feet with *Mary Magdalen*; but thou

thou haſt ſhed as much of thine own blood as ſufficeth to waſh away all the ſins of me, and all the World: then be not angry with me, *O Lord*, but let thy grace ſupply my wants, let thy mercy pardon my ſins, let thy holy Spirit prepare my ſoul, thy merits enrich my poverty, and thy moſt precious Blood waſh away all the ſpots of my life, that I may worthily receive this Heavenly Sacrament; ſo that I may be ſtrengthened thereby, and throughly filled with the Heavenly food of thy Body and Blood, for the mortification of the old man, and the confirmation of my Soul. O Lord, hear my Prayers, and grant my requeſts, I beſeech thee, *Amen.*

A Prayer after the receiving of the Holy Communion.

1 Cor. 5. 7. *Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be*

a new lump, as ye are unleavened: for even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

O Jesus, the Son of God, my Lord and Saviour, with all humble and hearty thanks I praise thee for suffering death upon the Cross for my sins, and admitting me a miserable sinner to the participation of this blessed Sacrament, the memorial of my Redemption. Let me (O Lord) find and feel in my heart the invisible power of thy Heavenly Grace, effectually working the Transformation of me into thee, the wonderful union of me with thee, thy spiritual habitation and abode in me.

Apply all thy merits and good things unto my Soul. Let me never doubt the forgiveness of my sins, but ever open the door of this Sanctuary to me, that I may run thither in my greatest need, and apprehend thy gracious pardon

don, ratified by this seal of thy Covenant.

Quicken me (O Lord) in this life, revive and renew me, that I may disclaim my old conversation, and become a new man. Keep me, that I slip not out of this building, nor become as a branch cut off, and good for nothing; but as thou hast severed me from the wicked, in calling me to the knowledge of thee, so keep me from all their corruptions. Give me a perfect Love towards thee, that I may not delight in any thing but in thee, nor seek any other Honour but thine.

O Lord Jesus, I meekly beseech thee, let thy holy Spirit strengthen me against my frailty, thy power and strength defend me against wordly troubles and adversities, thy merits purchase my needful pardon, and thy blood be the medicine for all my sores, even for thy Names sake, *Amen.*

Another of the same, after the Communion.

John 15. 13. *Greater love hath no man then this, that a Man lay down his life for his friends.*

O Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, which hast so loved Mankind, that thou hast been contented not only to become one with him, but also meat unto him, and to die for him upon the Cross; Grant, I beseech thee, that this my receiving of this Sacrament may be a true testimony unto my conscience, that I have through faith in thee received full remission of all that is past, and am become as it were a new creature in thy sight.

O sweet Jesus, which hast vouchsafed me such favour and honour as to come to thy Table and feed upon thee; grant me grace I humbly entreat thee, so to perform and fulfil my duty, as this honour

honour which thou haſt done to me requireth; link me unto thee, and give me power and ſtrength to believe thy promiſes without diſtruſt, and to ſhew my Religion by my good life and converſation. Aſſiſt me with thy Grace, that I may walk worthy of this bleſſed Sacrament, to love thee and thy Law unfeignedly, and utterly to forſake all vanity, Idolatry, carnal deſires, and all the works of the Devil.

O Lord God, ſo moderate, and order all mine affections, that I may be joyned with the brethren together in holy love, which is the bond of peace, and truly faſtened unto thee my head for ever. Stir up my mind, that I may always conſider the bitterneſs of thy death, the greatneſs of thy love, and never forget to be thankful unto thee.

O bleſſed Lord, preſerve and maintain this Ordinance amongſt us,

us, that it may be always a note and badge of our publique profession; and give us all one heart, and one mind, in the unity of the Spirit from the reverend and worthy receiving of the same whensoever we shall come to thy holy Table again, *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Fruits of the Earth, and other nourishments of this mortal life.

Psalm 104. 27. *All wait upon thee (O Lord) that thou mayest give them their meat in due season.*

O Eternal God, which feedest with thy blessing every living thing, and satisfiest the lawful desires of thy servants with thy bountiful Goodness, we wretched sinners, unworthy of the least of thy benefits, do most humbly beseech thee to be pleased to bless all the fruits of the Earth, that we and all thy servants may be partaker

takers of thy comforts therein, for the nouriſhment of this life.

Give us, O Lord, this day our daily bread, prepare our Ground, and proſper our Corn. Bleſs the ſeed-time with the firſt and latter rain in their due ſeaſon, and meet temperature of air. Keep our fruits while they be in the Earth, from Hail and Thunder, from exceſſive droughts, and overmuch rain, from mildews, and all noiſome worms. Send us a joyful harveſt, and give a bleſſing to that which we ſhall reap, that for our unthankfulneſs it waſte not away without relief. Increaſe our Cattel with all other proviſion which we ſhall carefully labour for. Repleniſh our baſket, and bleſs our ſtore, that we may have wherewith, as to furniſh our ſelves, ſo to give ſome relief to others. Protect our ſervants and work-folks, that they may be ſtrong to labour, wiſe to forecaſt, and faithful in their buſineſs. Keep

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our Garners, Barns, and Store-houſes, from fire and boyſterous winds, Thieves, and ſudden inundations: Proſper our works and Travels, whether by Sea or Land, and bleſs and proſper them that any way labour for any of thoſe things that we ſhall have occaſion to uſe.

Send remedy (O Lord) for all hardneſs and miſery, turn our dearth into cheapneſs, and our ſcarcity into plenty. Open the hearts of rich men, to whom thou haſt given much, that they may have a charitable reſpect of the poor at all times. Help us (O Lord) and give us ſuch things as we ſtand in need of, and make us to deſire ſuch things only as may be pleaſing unto thee; to ſearch them wiſely, and find them eaſily. Oppreſs us not with too much Poverty, neither puff us up with too much Plenty, but give us a competent ſtore of things neceſſa-

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ry for this life, and grace to use them ſoberly, to thy glory and our comfort, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, *Amen.*

A Prayer for Friends and Benefactors.

1 Pet. 4. 8. *Charity ſhall cover the multitude of ſins.*

O Lord, which haſt ſaid, *That he that giveth unto the poor lendeth unto the Lord, and look what he layeth out, it ſhall be paid him again*; We beſeech thee to be gracious and merciful to all thoſe for whom we are bound to pray by Nature, by deſert, or any other Duty whatſoever, all our Benefactours and Friends alive, even all thoſe our Parents, Kinſfolks, and others, which have brought us up, taught, promoted, or any way relieved us. Bleſs them with all bleſſings, that have done good, either to our Bodies with temp-

temporal benefits, or our ſouls with profitable inſtructions. Bleſs their Eſtates, that in their godly diſpoſition they may have alwayes wherewith to relieve and comfort others in their diſcretion: Give them the Conſolation of the Holy Ghoſt, to the keeping of Faith and a good Conſcience. And as they have ſhewed mercy unto us, and comforted us; ſo Lord, help and comfort them in their greateſt need, that both they and their families may both have comfort in their Eſtate and Condition here, and find mercy with thy Son our Saviour Jeſus at the latter day; Lord, let all their Alm-deeds and Prayer be alwayes in thy ſight as thoſe of *Cornelius*, that as they have been unto us an Odour that ſmelleth ſweet, whereby we have received plenty, and been filled; ſo they may be as Sacrifices acceptable and pleaſant unto thee. Vouchſafe us this grace (O Lord) that

that we be not guilty of any ingratitude towards them, but rather ready, according to our abilities, to recompence them, if need require.

Let not that which they have bestowed upon us be cast away, but make it fruitful, and us worthy of it. Grant this, O thou God, which dost good both to the just and unjust, for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer in time of War.

Psalm 74. 18. *Remember this, that the Enemy hath reproached thee, O Lord, and that the foolish people have blasphemed thy Name.*

O God, mighty in battel, we beseech thee, bear not in mind our vile deserts, but of thy mercy pity thy poor afflicted, endangered, and persecuted Church. Consider, and behold, how they which

which hate thy Sanctuary, are now up in Arms to root us out from the Earth, for our profession of the Truth. Therefore, O Lord, we pray thee maintain thine own Cause. Bless our Forces by Sea, and Land, and grant to the people one heart, one mind, and one strength: Give unto the Counsellors and Captains wisdom, and courage, wisely to foresee, and valiantly to defeat the Devices of their Enemies. Keep all the Souldiers from Treason and Treachery, the Leaders from wrong plots, the people from Tumults, and all of them from those sins and enormities that follow the Camp, and the evil that may justly follow the same.

Strengthen *(O Lord)* and hold up the hand of *Moses*, and the weapons of the Church, *Preces & Lachrymas*, that our Fasting and Prayer may be heard, and *Israel* may have the Victory. Put

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Sisera to flight in thy good time; and rather then he return to do mischief, bring him to his end by a hand unlooked for. Turn the weapons of him and his followers into their own bosoms; scatter, break, and sink their ships; Destroy their Armies, and confound their Forces. Consider, *O Lord*, the end of our enterprizes, how we fight for thy truth, and either reconcile us to our Enemies by thy Spirit, to worship one God, and hold one Truth, or else abate their pride, and confound them in their malice, to thy honour and glory, for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another, in time of War.

Psalm 34. 17. *The Angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.*

O Lord God of Hosts that hast heretofore sundry times miracu-

raculouſly defend us, we beſeech thee ſhew thy ſelf in this needful time: bleſs and preſerve us, who have repoſed our truſt only in thee, Bleſs our Armies abroad, which are joyned together for the defence of thy Truth, and the ſafety of our Country: Sanctifie us likewiſe at home, to pleaſe thee, that whatſoever they or we do may proſper.

Be preſent and Preſident at all their Conſultations, and give thou the caſting voice in all determinations. Suggeſt Heroical motions into the hearts of their Leaders: baniſh all heart-burnings and diviſions: and aſſiſt them with the Spirit of unity and concord, that they may ſtrive all one good way. Make them wiſer then their Enemies: yea, give them more experience then the aged, and better intelligence, and more ſound advertiſement then their foes. Lord, anoint their ſhields, bleſs their

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swords, hallow and consecrate all their weapons and engines of war, with happy success to do thy Will.

Bless the season of the year unto them, and sweeten the close Air in their multitude, that neither Sun nor Moon annoy them, nor alteration of dyet or place disable them from their service. Command the Winds and Sea to favour them, and let the Land speak peace unto them. *O Lord*, disappoint the counsels and power of thine Enemies, and make a joyful peace for thy servants, through Jesus Christ, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer for Comfort to the sick person.

Hos. 6. 1. *Come and let us return unto the Lord: for he hath torn, and he will heal us: he hath smitten, and he will bind us up.*

O Most gracious God, and loving Father, which giveſt health,

health, to make us the better to acknowledge thee, and thy liberality toward us, and sometimes sendest sickness to recal us to amendment, when we have sinned against thee; we thy humble servants, for this, and all thy servants thus afflicted, do humbly beseech thee, not to enter into a severe judgement with him for this life and condition, but in remembrance of thine own mercy, to forgive him his sins, and upon the satisfaction of thy Son, to acquit him of thy judgements: *O Lord*, grant him a true zeal of thy Holy Name, and all affections agreeable to thy blessed Will, that he may rightly receive the gracious offers of thy great mercy: Qualifie, Lord, all these troubles which either the grievousness of his sin remembred, or the bitterness of his pangs sustained, the subtilty of the common Enemy, or the fear of death may bring upon him

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and lay no more upon him, O Lord, then he shall be able to bear. Speak comfortably unto his Soul, as thou hast done unto all those that have sought for comfort in the like extremities or tribulations. Dispose and move his heart to receive this thy Fatherly correction, and gracious Visitation, with the patience of *Job*, the faith of *Abraham*, the joy of *Paul*, the courage of *Peter*, and a true submission to thy blessed Will, either for life or death; and though that these outward Senses, the Tongue, and voice, be not so quick as they have been to praise thee and pray unto thee, yet, Lord, we beseech thee stir up his heart, inflame and inspire his mind to perform all such things as thou requirest, and may be profitable for his Soul, in this combate and extremity.

Apply (O Lord) the Holy and wholsome medicines of thy Sons passion,

Passion, Death, and Resurrection, unto the soul of this poor Creature, against the extremity of fear, faintness, doubt and desperation. Take away the extremity of his pain, mitigate his sorrows, make his bed, wipe all his tears from his eyes, and ease his careful Conscience. Comfort him at the hour of his departure; when thou shalt call, open to him the gate of mercy, open thine arms to receive him into thy favour, that when the time is come, he may go to the Grave in peace, being upholden by thee in the assurance of a free pardon for all his sins, and the hope of a joyful Resurrection. And in the mean time (O Lord) settle his spirits, that they do not wander or fly out into any unruly motions. Continue his remembrance, that he may not forget thee, but daily and hourly have thee in mind, which art the Anchor of his safety. Keep his tongue from all vain and idle

idle talk, his heart from all fears, and protect him safe under thy Wing. Be merciful unto us, who as feeling members of one Body, adore thy holy Name, and implore thy divine help for this thy servant; and let thi example teach us more humility, fear and reverence towards thee, now and ever. Hear our prayers, O Lord, for Jesus Christ his sake, *Amen.*

Another for Comfort to the sick.

Jam. 5. 15. *The Prayer of Faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up: and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.*

O Lord God, which both in sickness and health hast appointed us to pray one for another, promising a blessing in greatest extremities; we poor sinners present our selves before thy Majesty, in the behalf of this thy poor servant

that lieth visited under thy hand: Good Lord, we beseech thee, seal in his heart, by thy holy Spirit, the forgiveness of all his sins. Let the sweet feeling, and taste of a lively Faith, distaste all the filthy corruptions that are in him: that his Body and Soul may be presented pure and undefiled unto thee in the Blood of thy Son.

Lord, lay not to his charge what he hath said, or done amiss throughout all the whole course of his life; but rear him up in hope, speak comfortably unto his Soul, and lead him by thy Spirit unto the treasures of thy mercy. Take from him the fear and sorrow of death; raise the siege of his spiritual enemies that are round about him, and give him strength against all the assaults of the Devil, that he may have a perfect victory: let the knowledge of thee (which he hath learned since thou didst call him) stand him now in stead,

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and relieve his Faith, that he may have true repentance, and yield unto thee true obedience, and hearty thanks, for whatsoever thou shalt do unto him.

O Lord, give unto him a taste of thy glory, and those joys which thou hast prepared for him, that in the comfort thereof he may fight a good fight, keeping the faith; and when the time of his departure shall come, give him grace willingly to forsake this present evil world, to die in thy favour, and to live with thee for ever. Grant this (*O Lord*) for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer before a man undertakes a Journey by Sea or Land.

Exod. 13. 20, 21. *So they took their Journey, and the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of a Cloud, to lead them*

in the way, and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light.

O Lord God, thou Keeper of *Israel*, who preſerveſt our going out, and our coming in; into thy hands I commit my ſelf, and all that I have, either at home or abroad. In the Name of Jeſus, that was wearied in his journey, and ſate down upon the Well, I beſeech thee to direct my paths in this my journey, as thou didſt *Jacob* in his journey to *Laban*, *Jonah* at Sea, and the Children of *Iſrael* in the Wilderneſs, and paſſing over *Jordan*. Grant me health, ſtrength and courage, and refreſh me when I am weary, keep me from all the hands of ſpoylers, the ſleights and deceits of Thieves, and Robbers, and from ſavage beaſts. Grant that whereſoever I come, I may find godly men, which may honeſtly, religiouſly, and courteouſly entertain me. Keep me from

from lewd Company, that I partake not of their wickedneſs: but let thy fear be always before mine eyes, to avoid all wandering paths.

Shew me (*O Lord*) in the daytime, thy comfortable pillar of Cloud, and in the night thy pillar of fire, that both day and night I may ſee to eſcape the hands of all mine Enemies, and they may be afraid to attempt any thing againſt me, when they ſhall ſee thy wonderful protection of me

Make me partaker of all good Prayers, furniſh me with neceſſities while I ſhall be abroad, as bread to eat, and cloaths to put on; and when my buſineſs is finiſhed, bring me home again, & grant that I may find my friends, wife, children and family in perfect health at my return; Yet, Lord, if thou haſt ſo appointed, that before I return, I muſt go to my long home, and die in this Voyage; I beſeech thee

that upon whatsoever this Vessel of my body be split, or whersoever this Tabernacle fall, yet my Soul may be saved, and arrive at the Land of Promise, the everlasting Haven of the Elect, for Jesus Christ his sake, *Amen.*

A Prayer in time of any present danger, or other affliction.

Job 2. 19. *What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil?*

O Eternal God, which shuttest and no man openeth, and openest and no man shutteth; my humble request unto thee is for my self, and all such as suffer any cross of affliction in body, or mind, that it would please thee to send them ease and deliverance in thy good time.

For my self, *O Lord*, I beseech thee give me grace to acknowledge this grievous affliction to be thy

thy Fatherly correction of my sin, that I may learn to be more careful of my Duty. I thank thee, that thou hast laid no more upon me, nor punished me to my confusion; I beseech thee, grant me a more patient mind, and stay thy hand in due time, that I may recover my strength, with comfort in thee. All is thine, and thou art all; to thee therefore do I fly for succour, for there is none but under thy wings. The sorrows of Hell do compass me round about, the fear of death is before mine eyes: Help, O help me; save me, O save me, for thine own sake, for thy Sons sake, for thy mercies sake, for I am the workmanship of thy hands.

Keep my Senses, Understanding, and judgment, from every conceit that tendeth to fear, fury, or distrust in thy mercy; O Lord, advise and teach me Wisdom and moderation in my grief; yea, with

thy power over-rule, that it be not my overthrow.

Of thy mercy Lord, comfort the appaled Conſcience of all that grieve under the burthen of their ſins, fearing the heavineſs of thy wrath. Have mercy upon all thoſe whoſe tender affections are too nearly touched with the loſs of their Companions, Children, or Friends; and let them not take any thing to heart, otherwiſe then may ſtand with good diſcretion, Reaſon, and Chriſtian moderation.

Give thy Comforts and Conſolations unto all thoſe that by any means ſuffer trouble or torments for the profeſſion of thy Goſpel, or the ſervice of their Prince. And if it pleaſe thee to detain ſome under a long Croſs, either for thy great Glory, or their further tryal; yet, Lord, let them not be tempted above their ſtrength, that ſo they may perſevere unto the end.

O Lord, weaken the power of Satan, and the tyranny of his Miniſters, which either by inward temptations, or outward violence, have bred the wo of thy ſervants; and rid them from all their troubles, that they may ſing joyful praiſes unto thee, through Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

To ſuch purpoſe alſo may ſerve the Prayer of one afflicted in conſcience.

A Prayer in time of Plague, or other extraordinary ſickneſs.

1 Sam 2. 6. *The Lord killeth and maketh alive; bringeth down to the Grave, and raiſeth up.*

O Lord our God, in whoſe Name ſtandeth our help, and who among other evils, haſt promiſed us to deliver thy peo-

ple from the *ſnare of the hunter, and the noyſome peſtilence*, We beſeech thee, take this thy plague away from us; and as the ſtench of our ſins hath aſcended up into thy noſtrils to provoke thy wrath againſt us, ſo let our humble ſupplications come before thee, to procure our happy and ſpeedy releaſe from it. Lord, call back thine Angel, and cauſe him to ſheathe the ſword again. We are thy children, the work of thy hand: we are ſorry for our ſins, which are the cauſe of all this, and we purpoſe amendment: We are but Men, Duſt and Aſhes, not able to bear long; therefore, Lord, have mercy upon us, and that ſoon; ſend us comfort, and ſuffer us not to periſh after ſo miſerable a ſort.

We thank thee, *O Lord*, that thou haſt not left us altogether comfortleſs without hope, but haſt ſomewhat withdrawn thy hand

hand, and ſpared many hundreds of us in compariſon of thoſe whom thou ſleweſt before: and now we rejoyce at this abatement, yet ſtand in aw; we preſume upon this thy favour, but with fear and trembling: we truſt it ſhall be every day better, yet we are careſull to winne it by pleaſing thee. Wherefore (O Lord) we beſeech thee bleſs us; and all thoſe that depend upon us: ſet thy ſaving Mark upon our Houſes, as thou diddeſt for the *Iſraelites*, and give order to the Deſtroyer, that he hurt us not. Put thy ſtrength to our Medicines: guard our regard which we have of our ſelves. Let thy good Bleſſing make the Preſervatives of the Phyſitians, and our ſhutting places of more ſecurity, profitable unto us; and let us not truſt too much in outward means, but chiefly in thy mercy and bleſſing upon them. Keep us down-lying and up-riſing,

and protect us walking in our Vocations.

Have pity upon our distressed Brethren, comfort the desolate Widows, provide for all fatherless children: gather us together again, that by these means are dispersed, and continue thy merciful work, in diminishing our dead numbers, till we may justly say, in confidence and thanks, with the Prophet, *We shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.* Grant this (O Lord) for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer to be used in time of Thunder and Lightning.

Psalm 18. 13. *The Lord Thundred in the Heavens, and the Highest gave his Voyce, Hail-stones and Coals of fire.*

O Almighty and Eternal God, by whose Power the mountains smoak, the Heavens tremble, and

and the Earth ſhaketh: at whoſe anger the Sea roars, the waters ſwell, and fearful depths are broken up; preſerve us, we beſeech thee, from thine unſupportable wrath, procured by our ſins; call them not into judgement, but mercifully forgive them, and look chearfully upon us in Chriſt Jeſus, thy Son, and our Advocate. Defend us from all evil now threatned in this ſtorm; make our habitations like the Land of *Goſhen*, in the time of the plagues of *Egypt*, and keep us from ſudden and untimely death. Grant, O Lord, that this great and fearful Tempeſt of Rain, Thunder, and Lightning, may paſs away, without doing any hurt to the bodies, houſes, or goods of us, or any of our Brethren: O Lord hear us, O Lord ſave us, that with joyful hearts we may give thanks unto thee, now and evermore, *Amen*.

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The ancient Prayer called, O bountiful Jesus.

O Bountiful Jesus, which art full of Mercy and Truth, have pity upon me, according to thy great mercy, by the same precious Blood which thou wast content to shed upon the Cross for us miserable sinners. I beseech thee, vouchsafe to cast all mine iniquities out of thy sight, and despise not me who thus humbly beg of thee, crying and calling upon thy Holy Name, *a Name of Salvation:* for what is Jesus but a Saviour?

O God, which hast created me, and redeemed me with thine own Blood, suffer me not (whom thou hast made of nought) to be damned. Let not my wickedness have power to destroy me whom thine Almighty goodness hath made. I acknowledg that which is thine in me; and that which is

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not of thee, take that away from me. *O Lord*, even now while the time of mercy is, have mercy upon me, and let me not be confounded at the time of thy fearful judgments.

O good Jesus, although I, a vile sinner, by thy strict Justice have deserved to be punished everlastingly for my most grievous sins, yet, having sure confidence in the Truth of thy Righteousness, I appeal to thine unspeakable mercy, I am sure thou wilt have mercy upon me like a loving Father, and a merciful Father.

O Lord, What profit is there in my Blood, if I descend into the pit of eternal corruption? For surely, they that be dead shall not magnifie thee, nor any that go down into the place of silence. O most merciful Saviour, have mercy upon me.

O Jesus, accept me a vile sinner among the number of them whom thou

thou hast elected to Salvation. Thou art the health of all that hope in thee : have mercy upon me, and remit all my sins. O pour thy grace into my heart, endue me with wisdom, charity, chastity, and humility, and in all my adversity grant me a holy, inviolable, and stedfast patience, that I may perfectly love thee, and have my only delight and affiance in thee, world without end. *Amen.*

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SUPPLICATIONS OF SAINTS.

The Third Part.

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Psal. 142. 2.

I poured out my complaint before him; I shewed him my trouble.

Origen. sup. Levit. hom. 9. cap. 16.
Unusquisque holocaustum, &c.
Every one hath his Sacrifice to do.

This Part containeth Prayers in the names of divers parties of several Estates.

Queen Elizabeth's *Prayer of Thanksgiving for the overthrow of the* Spanish *Navy sent to invade* England, *An. Dom.* 1588.

MOst Omnipotent Creator, Redeemer, and Conserver; when it seemed a most fit time to thy worthy Providence to bestow the workmanship of this Worlds Globe, with thy rare Judgement; Thou didst divide into four singular parts the form of all this Mold which after-time hath termed Elements; all they serving to continue in orderly Government of all the Mass. Which all when of thy most singular bounty, and never yet seen care, thou hast this year made serve for Instruments to daunt our Foes, and confound their malice: I most humbly, with bowed heart, and bended knees, do tender my humblest acknowledgements and lowest thank: And not

not the leaſt, for that the weakeſt Sex hath been ſo fortified by thy ſtrongeſt help, that neither my people need find lack by my weakneſs, nor Forreigners triumph at my ruine: Such hath been thy unwonted Grace in my dayes, as though Satan hath never made holy-day in practiſing for my life and State, yet thy mighty hand hath over-ſpread both, with the ſhade of thy wings, ſo that neither hath been overthrown, nor received ſhame, but abide with bleſſing, to thy moſt glory, and their greateſt ignominy. For which, Lord, of thy meer goodneſs, grant us Grace to be hourly thankful, and ever mindful. And if it may pleaſe thee to grant my requeſt, give us thy countenance and favour in my dayes, of like goodneſs, that my years never ſee change of ſuch Grace to me, and eſpecially to this Kingdom: Which, Lord, grant (for thy Sons ſake) may flouriſh

ish many ages after my end. *Amen.*

Queen Elizabeth's *Prayer for the success of her Navy, Anno Dom.* 1596.

MOst Omnipotent Maker, and Guider of all the Worlds Mass, that only searcheſt and fathomeſt the bottom of all hearts conceits, and in them ſeeſt the true Original of all actions intended: Thou that by thy fore-ſight doſt truly diſcern how no malice or revenge, nor quittance of injury, nor deſire of bloodſhed, nor greedineſs of lucre, hath bred the reſolution of our now ſet out Army; but a heedful care, and a wary watch, that no neglect of foes, nor overſurety of harm, might breed either danger to us, or glory to them.

Theſe being the grounds, thou that didſt inſpire the mind, we humbly beſeech thee with bended knees, proſper the work, and with the

the best fore-winds speed the journey, give the victory, and make the return the advancement of thy Glory, the trump of thy Fame, and surety of the Realm, with the least loss of English Blood. To these devout Petitions, Lord, give thy blessed Grant, *Amen.*

Queen Elizabeth's *Prayer for her Navy*, 1597.

O God, all-Maker, Keeper, and Guider: Inurement of thy rarely-seen, unused, and seldom heard of goodness, poured in so plentiful sort upon us full oft, breeds now this boldness to crave with bowed knees, and hearts of humility, thy large hand of helping power to assist with wonder our just Cause, not founded on pride's motion, nor begun on Malice-stock, but, as thou best knowest, (to whom nought is hid) grounded on just defence from wrongs, hate,

hate, and bloody desires of Conquest.

For sithence thou hast imparted means to save that which thou hast given, by enjoying of such a people as scorns their blood shed where safty is none, to use all lawful means to defend themselves: Fortifie, dear God, such hearts in such sort as their best parts may be worst, that are the worst, that to the truest part, meant worst, may redound a happy victory, with least loss to such a Nation as despise their lives for their Countries good, in a good Cause; that all forreign Lands may laud and admire the omnipotency of thy works, a fact alone for thee only to perfom; So shall thy Name be spread for wonders wrought, and the faithful encouraged to repose in thy unfellowed grace, and we that minded nought but right, be inchained in thy bonds for perpetual slavery, and live

live and die the sacrificers of our Souls for such obtained favour: W. r an, dear Lord, all this with thy command, *Amen.*

The Housholders Prayer.

Psalm 55.22. *Cast thy burthen upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: he shall not suffer the righteous to be moved.*

O Most mighty God, merciful and loving Father, I wretched sinner come unto thee, in the Name of thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, my only Saviour and Redeemer, and most humbly beseech thee to be merciful unto me, and to cast all my sins out of thy sight and remembrance, through the merits of his bloody death and passion. Pour upon me (O Lord) thy holy Spirit of Wisdom and Grace; govern and lead me by thy holy Word, that it may be a Lanthorn unto my feet, and a light unto my steps: shew thy mer-

mercy upon me, and ſo lighten the natural blindneſs and darkneſs of my heart, through thy grace, that I may be daily renewed by the ſame Spirit and Grace: By the which, O Lord, purge the groſsneſs of myhearing and underſtanding, that I may profitably read, hear, and underſtand thyWord and Heavenly Will, believe and practiſe the ſame in my Life and Converſation, and evermore hold faſt the bleſſed hope of Eternal Life.

Mortifie and kill all vice in me, that my life may expreſs my faith in thee: mercifully hear the humble ſuit of thy ſervant, and grant me thy peace all my dayes; graciouſly pardon all mine infirmities, and defend me in all dangers of body, goods, or name: but moſt chiefly my Soul againſt all aſſaults, temptations, accuſations, ſubtile ſleights and baits of that old Enemy of mankind, Satan, that roaring Lion,

ever ſeeking whom he may devour. Favourably protect and keep all that thou haſt given me, Wife, Children, or Servants; and aid me, O Lord, with thy Grace, that I may be able to govern, nouriſh, and bring them up in thy fear and ſervice.

Caſt a gracious eye upon me, and lend me thy directing hand, that the labour and pains which I am to undertake this day may proſper, and let all my dealings be juſt and true. Bleſs (*O Lord*) thy Univerſal Church, and perfect the work which thou haſt begun among us. Bear our moſt gracious King *Charles*, the Queen his Wife, the illuſtrious Prince *James* Duke of *York*, and all their Princely Progeny, always in thine own boſom, and ſet thine eyes always upon them for good. Let the Spirit of knowledge and holineſs remain in his Miniſters. Bleſs all his Councell with wiſdom and diſcretion hi

his Nobles with fortitude and courage, his Judges with Justice and Mercy, his Magistrates with diligence and faithfulness, his People with fear and obedience, that we may all with one mind, and one mouth, say with the Prophet, *He that is mighty hath done great things for us, and holy is his Name, Amen.*

Another of the Housholders.

Eph. 6. 9. *Know that your Master also is in Heaven, neither is there respect of persons with him.*

LEad me (*O Lord,*) in the way of thy Truth and Righteousness, and govern all mine actions to thy Glory, the good of thy Church, and the discharge of my duty. Defend and deliver me from all temptations, from all mine enemies, and from all deceits and dangers. Kindle in my heart and mind a fervent zeal of thy holy Word,

that I may underſtand and know thy Will, and walk in thy wayes: ſtrengthen me with thy holy Spirit, boldly and conſtantly to profeſs the honour and ſervice of thy holy Name, leſt at any time, through fear of wordly afflictions, I fall from thee.

Give me a contented mind with my Eſtate and ſuch bleſſings as thou (*O Lord*) of thy bountiful goodneſs and mercy haſt beſtowed upon me, that I may uſe them, and be thankful for them: Grant me patience in all my troubles and afflictions, that I neither grudge at thy Fatherly Corrections, knowing them to be tokens of thy love, and inſtruments of my exerciſe and trial; neither ſeek revenge of my wrongs, knowing vengeance to be thine, and that thou wilt reward it in due ſeaſon.

Keep my mind from all evil thoughts, my tongue from lewd and vain Speeches, my body, and every

every member thereof, from all sinful actions. Let all my love, my Faith, and Hope, my delight and confidence, only and alwayes be in thee. Open my heart to have pity upon my poor brethren, give me the gift of Chastity, that I may possess my Vessel in Holiness and Honour, and not in the lust of concupiscence, and as the Heathen do, which know not God.

Give me, *O Lord*, sorrow for my sin, thankfulness for thy benefits, fear of thy judgements, and love of thy Mercies; and teach me to bring up my Children, and govern my servants in good order and godly Discipline, according to thy holy Ordinance: and because by thy grace I am that I am, let thy demands be no greater then thou hast given me grace to perform. *O Lord*, pardon and forgive all my sins, and grant me grace to live in thy Fear, and dye in thy Favour, that I may rise to live with

my Lord Jesus evermore dwel with him in thy most glorious and joyful kingdom, the only thing I desire and hope for, through the merits of the same Jesus Christ, thy only Son, and my only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

The Wives Prayer for her Husband in absence or otherwise.

Psalm 37. 4. *Delight thy self also in the Lord, and he shall give thee thy hearts desire.*

O Lord God, which hast made every marryed couple one flesh, and hast ordained they should be of one mind and judgement, and careful one for another, as members one of another: I beseech thee, lead me and my Husband in the way of thy Truth and Righteousness; govern all our Actions to thy Glory, the good of thy Church, and the discharge of our Duties. Defend and deliver us (*O Lord*) from all Temptations,

from all our Enemies, or from all deceits and dangers here or elſewhere.

Grant my husband being abroad to proſper in his buſineſs, and ſend him a healthful and happy return home, that I, who without him am ſorrowful in my ſelf, and ſhould be a ſtranger to the world if he were not, may with him live in the eſtate of thine Honourable Ordinance in peace and comfort, and alwayes, for thy great goodneſs and mercy towards us, praiſe thy moſt holy Name.

Grant us both Grace, O Lord, one to love and cheriſh the other, one to be faithful and dutiful towards the other; and give us both the gift of Chaſtity and Sobriety, that both in body and mind we may live a pure life, bringing up our children, and governing our ſervants with godly diſcipline, and good order, in and according to thy holy Word.

O Lord, pardon and forgive both of us all our ſins, and grant us both grace to love, honour, fear, and ſerve thee all the dayes of this our miſerable and ſinful life, that in this life we may have comfort in that which thou haſt given us, and after our death we may receive the fruits of that hope which we have laid up in thy mercies, through the merits and mediation of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

The Widows Prayer.

Deut. 10. 18. *The Lord doth execute judgement unto the fatherleſs and widow, and love to the ſtranger, in giving them food and rayment.*

O Lord God, which art near touched with a care of the afflicted, and deſpiſeſt not the widow when ſhe poureth out her prayers before thee; I beſeech thee to have compaſſion upon me, a poor

poor and desolate Widow. And whereas the bands of Death have made a separation between me and my Husband, who was my head, and the best stay I had in this world next under thee; I beseech thee, let me not take this Cross impatiently, but trust in thy goodness, that nothing may be able to separate me from thee which art mine only stay, and the joy of my soul. Preserve me, Lord, from the paws of ravenous and greedy Cormorants, which lie in wait to supplant the weakest, and devour our houses under the pretence of Godliness, and colour of Right. Grant that in the sight of all Governours and Judges I may find favour and equal dealing in my suits and complaints against all violent oppressors.

Give unto all men willing and ready minds to do me good, and open their hearts to help and pleasure me in all reasonable demands,

Provide for me, by miniſtring food and rayment fit for mine eſtate; have pity upon me in all my neceſſities, and ſtretch out thy hand to deliver me.

Bleſs me, as thou didſt that poor woman of *Sarepta*, that that ſmall thing which thou haſt given me, may ſerve to ſupply the neceſſary uſes of me and mine: Diſpoſe the hearts of my Children and ſervants to obedience, peace, and holineſs, that I which am the weaker Veſſel, deprived of him whoſe countenance ſhould have kept them in aw, may by thy help bring them up in godly Diſcipline. Give me the graces of thy holy Spirit, that at all times, and in all mine afflictions, I may truſt in thee, and continue in Prayers and Supplications day and night, but ſuch as befit a modeſt Matron, and the handmaid of the Lord: for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, our only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen*.

The Prayer of Women with Child.

John 16. 11. *A woman when she is in Travel hath sorrow, because her hour is come.*

O Lord God, by whose Decree for the offences of our first Parents, we bear in our wombs, and bring forth Children in pain and sorrow; be merciful unto me, that now feel the accomplishment of that Sentence in my self: and as thou hast vouchsafed me this blessing to conceive in my womb that which thou hast wrought until this time; so grant that in due time I may see the fruit of my body safe, sound, and perfect, without blemish or deformity

Keep me (*O Lord*) from an untimely birth; grant that through Prayer, Faith, and Patience, I may escape all sudden fears, and unadvised thoughts. Comfort me when I shall draw near unto my hard

labour,

labour, and when I ſhall fall into thoſe terrours, horrours, and pangs, which accompany that hour; ſhew thy mercy upon me and my Babe, that my ſins may be forgiven me, and that it may not be puuiſhed for my offences: Give me patience, that I be not too fearful and unruly, but that I may remember what modeſty befitteth a woman in thoſe dangers, and repoſe all my affiance in thee. *O Lord*, ſend me help, and preſerve me that I periſh not.

Grant me (*O Lord*) ſafe deliverance in due time, and make me a joyful Mother when that hour cometh; let not my ſins, ſo many, be called in queſtion, either now, or at that inſtant; but forget, *O Lord*, and forgive them: bleſs my poor Infant, and lodge it in the vertue of thy Covenant; and when thou ſhalt be pleaſed to call it into open light, give me wiſdom and ſtrength to bring it up in thy fear, and

and (as it were) to travel again with it, till it be born again unto a heavenly life, to thy greater glory, and my further joy, through Jesus Christ our only Lord. *Amen.*

The Midwives Prayer.

Psal 68. 35. *O God, wonderful thou art in thy holy Place; even the God of Israel; he will give strength and power unto his people: blessed be God.*

O Lord God, which only hast Power to take all Children out of their Mothers wombs, and to bring them into the light of this world: I thy unworthy servant, whom thou hast deputed to this great business for the help and comfort of many in their Extremities, do most humbly on bended knees beseech thee to vouchsafe me thy gracious assistance in the same.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, and

and in all mine actions let me have thy fear before mine eyes, that I may be careful both for rich and poor, to do good, and not hurt, to save life, and not to destroy. Help mine infirmities and imperfections, that I be neither too fearful, nor too violent in doing my duty; and grant me skill and judgement happily to finish every work that I shall undertake.

Give me, O Lord, an understanding and tender heart, a ready, steddy, and gentle hand, a watchful eye, and a willing mind. Mercifully look upon me, O Lord, that whensoever I shall be called to do my office, either by night or day, to the sick, or to the sound, I may be defended from all bodily harms, and preserved from the infection of all contagious diseases, by thy gracious favour. Prosper, O Lord, the works of my hands, O prosper thou my handy-work, that I may do all things to thy Glory, the com-

comfort of all good women, and mine own credit, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

A Prayer in time of Womens Travel.

Psal. 90. 19. *Let thy work (O Lord) appear unto thy Servants, and thy Glory unto their Children.*

O Gracious God, and loving Father, of whom the whole Family in Heaven and Earth is named, we beseech thee mercifully hear the voice of all thy handmaids here assembled in thy Name, for the help of this our Sister in her Agony now approaching: Lord, look upon her in mercy, mitigate the Judgement which thou hast laid upon her, and all women for sin. Give her courage of heart, and strength of body to bear the pangs of her labour so fearful, hard, and vehement. Sweeten them with the drops of

thy mercy, and qualifie them by thy gracious power: pardon her offences, and receive her Prayers:

Loving Father, give her patience and willingneſs to be adviſed and ordered by her friends in ſo great a work; that ſhe may remember, that as in juſtice thou haſt greatly increaſed her ſorrows and conceptions; ſo it is thy Will to have a Holy ſeed brought forth into the World, which being ſanctified by thy Grace, may be conſecrated here to ſuch godly ſervices as thou haſt appointed, and afterwards made partakers of glory in the Kingdom of Heaven.

And therefore (*O Lord*) we pray thee, bleſs her, and the fruit of her womb; let thy mercy be no leſs ſhewed in the Birth, then in the wonderful forming and faſhioning of that ſhe beareth. Guide all our hands that are about her, and lay to thy helping hand with

with us. Give her an easie and speedy deliverance. But if it be thy Will to lay any great weight of thy wrath upon her, according to thy doom; yet good Lord, we beseech thee, let thy holy Spirit so comfort her inwardly with thy Promises made to all, and thy goodness shewed to others, that neither her natural frailty, nor the temptation of Satan, nor the extremities of her Throes, cause her to faint.

O Lord, we pray thee comfort her, help her, ease her, finish thy work in her (O thou preserver of Mankind) that she being safely delivered, and her Babe preserved, they may both live, grow, and prosper in health and strength, to thy will and pleasure, and we altogether praise thy Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour; in whose name we conclude our Prayers, saying *Our Father, &c.*

A Prayer after the Deliverance of Women.

Psalm 127.3 *Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord, and the fruit of the womb is his reward.*

O Lord God, by whom all men and women are wonderfully and fearfully made, we give thee most humble thanks that in thy judgement towards this our sister thou hast remembred mercy, in giving her safe deliverance, together with a comely Fruit of her body. Good Lord, we pray thee continue thy great goodness towards her, and keep her from all further annoyance and dangers of Child-bed. Preserve her, day and night, night and day, sleeping and waking, that so in her time she may be restored to her former health and strength, and walk in her Vocation, according to thy Will with Thanksgiving.

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"ſant now born, that it may in
"due time increaſe in all wiſdom,
"ſtature, and favour with God
"and men; that it may be partaker of the ſacred Seal of Holy
"Baptiſm, and born anew by the
"power of the Spirit; live a holy
"and ſanctified life in this world
"and afterward be made Heir of
"everlaſting life. *O Lord*, bleſs
"the Mother alſo for the Babes
"good, that ſhe may have ſtrength
"and means to bring it up in thy
"fear, and uſe all ſuch good en-
"deavours as become a careful and
"natural mother.

Lord, give thy Grace to all us which have been eye-witneſſes of his thy mercy and goodneſs; and let this, and all other thy works, daily put us in mind to be thankful unto thee for our Creation, Preſervation, and all other thy good gifts; to call upon thee, love, and fear thee, walking in thy ſight in all Sobriety, Chaſtity, and Godlineſs,

nefs, from this dayforward for ever more, for Jefus Chrifts fake. *Amen*

The Childrens Prayer in their Fathers life-time.

Prov. 10. 1. *A wife Son maketh a glad Father; but a fooliſh Son is the heavineſs of his Mother.*

O Heavenly Father, Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, and of all that believe in him, endue me, I beſeech thee, with thy holy Spirit, that I may be a Babe of thy Heavenly Family, regenerated and made a new Creature in the ſame Chriſt Jeſus our Saviour. Make me by all means to honour my Parents after the example of thy Son our Saviour, and not by any means to breed their ſorrow and grief; that when thou ſhalt ſee it good to make me ancient, and bleſs me with Children, then I may have joy in them by their obedience and holineſs.

Joyn (*O Lord*) unto the towardness of my nature the aid of thy Grace, that I be not seduced by false-teachers to corruption, either in Faith, or in manners: but that all my understanding and conceits may tend to the good of my Soul, and the bettering of my life.

Restrain (*O Lord*) the untamedness of my youth, which at this time is wont to begin to shew it self, that I never pass the limits of thy good pleasure. Keep me from wandering Concupiscence and idleness, from wicked company and naughty fellowship.

Forgive me all the misdemeanors which I have at any time committed against thee, and my Parents; and give me ability and grace to help them in their weakest age, and greatest need, remembring the pains which my Mother endured for me, and the charges of my Father. Make me obedient unto them, and all other my

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Kingdom at the end, for Je
Chriſts ſake, *Amen.*

Another Prayer of Children.

Pſalm 37. 5. *Commit thy way un*
the Lord; truſt alſo in him, a
he ſhall bring it to paſs.

O Lord God, I beſeech thee
lead my Parents in the w
of thy Truth and Righteouſne
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glory, the good of thy Church, a
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ons, nurture, and good order, a

so live and serve thee in righteousnes and holines all my dayes.

Grant me (*O Lord*) an obedient and dutiful mind, not only towards my Parents, but to all such as it shall please them to make instructors and rulers over me, that I may submit my self to their godly admonitions and government. Incline my heart now in my tender years to seek for wisdom and good learning with all diligence. Preserve me from all evil ways, and lewd company.

Mortifie, *O Lord*, the raging lusts and and follies of youthful affections. *O Lord*, pardon and forgive me all my sins, that I may live in thy fear, and die in thy favour, and so receive the inheritance of that place, that thou in Heaven hast prepared for me, through Jesus Christ my Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

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The Orphans or Fatherleſs Child
Prayer

Pſal. 27. 10. *When my Father an*
my Mother forſake me, then th
Lord will take me up.

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eyes upon me for good. Have pit
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and neceſſities ſtretch out thy help
ing hand, and deliver me; appoi
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earneſt care of my welfare, that
may be brought up, in thy fear, un
to every good work.

Give me Grace to be obedien
unto thoſe that have the overſigh
of me, to hearken to good counſe
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Grant that I may find favour and upright dealing at the hands of them that have the overſight of me, and before all other the Governours and Judges whatſoever. Let me not be oppreſſed by the mighty, or ſeduced by the crafty and ſubtil; but deliver me from greedy and devouring Cormorants, and diſſembling friends, that would make a prey of me.

Let me not run to and fro to ſeek my bread, but provide for me (O Lord, I pray thee) food and rayment, and ſo furniſh me in this ſhort time of my Pilgrimage, that I may have a competent living. Bleſs my ſtudies and endeavours, increaſe my years and knowledg, to ſit always my eſtate and calling; direct me with thy Spirit; and bleſs me now and evermore, for Jeſus Chriſts ſake, *Amen.*

The Scholars Prayer.

Prov. 6. 23. *The Commandment*

is a lamp, and the Law is light, and reproofs of Instructions are the way of life.

O Lord God, which hast said, If any man lack wisdom, let him ask it of God, which giveth to all men liberally, and reproacheth no man, and it shall be given him; I beseech thee, breathe into my Soul the Spirit of Understanding, that in my Child-hood I may learn; and as I grow further into years, I may practise the study of those things only that are agreeable to thy Laws. Have mercy upon me, and lighten my understanding with the beams of thy divine Wisdom, that I may have judgment to make the best choice, wit and capacity to conceive, and memory to retain and bear away all such good things as I shall either hear or read.

Lord, hew and square the rough table of my heart; prepare it, and make it smooth and fit to receive

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into it, the impressions of thy divine Grace and Wisdom. Grant that I may always carefully seek for the Pearls of true knowledge, and obediently submit my self to all those that are my Teachers, and have the oversight of me. Give me such a desire to attain unto knowledge, that my study, through thy working, may be pleasure unto me; and that I may not wilfully lose or vainly bestow that precious time which never can be called again. Pour into me thy holy Spirit, that all my Travel and pains in study being blessed by thee, I may plentifully reap the fruit of my labours, and be thankful to thee.

O loving Father, be thou my School-master to instruct me, and let all my studies be referred to the right end, that I be neither infected with Heresie, nor partaker of any sect or schism. Lord, when I shall have attained unto any measure of Knowledge, let it not

puff me up to ſtand high in my own conceit, or be proud of thy gifts; but let me be wiſe unto ſobriety, and carry my ſelf humbly, lowly, and modeſtly, and ſo order all my ſtudies and endeavors, good Father, that I may firmly reſolve, ſpeedily perform, and conſtantly continue in doing any thing that is agreeable to thy Will; that ſo every thing may ſerve me for my furtherance to a godly and vertuous life, and the diſcharge of a good Conſcience, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, *Amen.*

The Souldiers Prayer.

Exod. 15. 3. *The Lord is a man of War; his Name is* Jehovah.

O Lord God of Hoſts, which teacheſt my hands to fight, and my fingers to battel, I humbly beſeech thee to have mercy upon me, that am ſubject to ſo many dangers every day, that I fall not before my Enemies. Touch my

heart

heart, that I may truly feel my sins, and worthily lament them before thy Majesty: and since I have undertaken this service, not for any covetousness, or revenge of blood, but in obedience to my Prince, and to defend a righteous Cause, suffer me not (I beseech thee) to give my members as weapons of unrighteousness unto sin, but to look carefully unto my ways, seeking to discharge my duty towards thee, and to acquit my self in all loyalty toward my Prince.

O Lord, gird me with strength, and make my way upright: Conduct me with thy hand, encourage me with the Trumpet of thy Word, Arm me with Faith and Hope to thee-ward, and strengthen me to the Combat. Bless all our Company in our attempts, and suggest unto us the best means to save our selves, and defeat the purposes of our Enemies. Arm us with thy grace, that we may manfully fight

in thy quarrel, make our name fearful to our enemies, and abate their pride. Range us within the limits of Truth and Honesty, that we be not given to those Vices which accompany the War, vile affections, inordinate motions, and mercilesse cruelties.

Lord, its nothing with thee to help, whether with many or with few. Help us, O Lord, our God, for we rest on thee, and in thy Name we go against this multitude. O Lord, thou art our God, let no man prevail against thee. Keep us, we beseech thee, from Treason, Mutinies, and conspiracies, either against our Prince or Captains. Lord, hear the mourning of all captives detain'd in the hands of their enemies, and work means for their Deliverance; and if it please thee at any time to lay that cross upon us, or otherwise to expose us to death in the field, then Lord keep us in thy faith, that we

may live and die thy Souldiers, fighting the good fight of Hope fixt in thee, and die in thy favour, for Jesus Christs sake, *Amen.*

The Servants Prayer.

1 Cor. 7. 22. *He that is called in the Lord, being a servant, is the Lords free man.*

O Lord God, which hast made us all one in Christ Jesus, whether we be bond or free, I beseech thee, grant me a contented mind, that during the time of my bondage, I be not ashamed of that condition of life wherein thou hast placed me. Cloath me in the livery of a true Christian; and grant me always to bear the mind of an honest man.

Give me grace to obey and be subject to my earthly masters with all fear, whether they be good and courteous, or evil and froward, and to perform their designs which cross not thy Commandments.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to send me an understanding heart to manage my business aright; and make me faithful withall, to be circumspect and diligent to do all things for the best. Grant me a single and true heart, without hypocrisie and dissimulation, that I do not pass over my years with an eye-service, as a man-pleaser, but justly and sincerely; that I may in my time procure that Christian liberty and freedom which I serve for.

Lord, bless my Master in all his affairs and dealings; let him not be subject to any danger or wrong from others, nor possessed with any thought of cruelty towards them that labour faithfully and truly for him. Strengthen my body to perform that business that I am appointed unto, and keep me from all murmuring and grudging against any of my betters, and envious detracting from the estimation of others.

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Especially (*O Lord*) keep me from evil company, that I be never enticed to spend wastfully, or embezil any thing committed to my custody, nor hearken unto the perswasion of any such as wish not well unto my Lord and Master.

Send Peace and Quietness between me and my fellows, that in love and kindness we may all with one heart and one mind constantly and chearfully join together, to follow our Masters business, and serve thee, and after this life become free men of the new *Jerusalem* in Heaven, in the blessed company of all faithful people, for Jesus Christ his sake, *Amen.*

Another of the same.

Eph. 6. 8. *What ever good thing any man doth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free.*

O *Lord*, our heavenly Master, I do beseech thee, lead me in the way of thy Truth and Righte-

ouſneſs. Govern all mine actions to thy Glory, the good of thy Church, and the diſcharge of my duty. Defend and deliver me (*O Lord*) from all temptations, from all mine enemies, and from all deceits and dangers.

Bleſs (*O Lord*) I beſeech thee, my Lord, maſter and miſtreſs, with all Heavenly wiſdom, and underſtanding and godlineſs, and with worldly wealth and happineſs, that I who am thy ſervant may, by them, and under them, receive not only the ſpiritual food of my Soul, but alſo the temporal ſuſtenance of my body; doing my ſervice, not outwardly as deſiring to pleaſe men, but with ſingleneſs of mind from the heart, as fearing thee, *O Lord* my *God*; and thereby I may receive that reward which thou haſt promiſed.

Give me, *O Lord*, an obedient and dutiful mind towards them, that I may ſubmit thy ſelf to their ho-

honest and lawful commandments, and do them true and faithful service, with all humbleness and patience.

Grant me grace (O Lord) to frame my life according to thy holy Word, nourish mutual love and good will between me and my fellows, preserve me from all evil ways, lewd company, and from idleness. Keep my mind from evil thoughts, my Tongue from lewd and vain Speeches, and my body, and every member thereof, from all sinful Actions. Mortifie in me, Lord, the raging lust and follies of youthful affections: O Lord, pardon and forgive me all my sins, and grant me grace to love, honour and serve thee in holiness and righteousness all my days, that I may glorifie thee in this world, and be glorified of thee in the world to come, through Jesus Christ my only Lord and Saviour, *Amen*.

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The Maids Prayer.

1 Sam. 25. 4. *Let thy hand maid, I pray thee, speak in thine audience, and hear the words of thy hand-maid.*

BLessed Lord, which in former time hast not despised the low estate of thy hand-maids when they sought unto thee, vouchsafe to lend thine ears to the hearty desires of me thy poor servant: Consider, O Lord, that in the labor both of body and mind, I am the weaker Vessel, of less capacity, and more infirmity; and bestow upon my youth such competent strength, that I may grow in stature, wisdom, and favour, with God and Man. As I grow up in years, so Lord, let me grow up in Grace: Crown my Virginity with chaste and religious thoughts, and my body and mind with godly watchfulness to wait for thy coming with the wise Virgins.

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Give me grace to think always, that a good name and honeſt reputation is better then any dowry to a modeſt Maid. Make my behaviour meek, my talk ſober, my body chaſte, and keep me from lewd and wanton company, that I partake not with them in their follies of youth. Pardon my former repaſt vanities; and by the power of thy Spirit enable my weakneſs to avoid all evil. Defend me from ſlanderous and baſe tongues, ſurmiſing minds, and wicked temptations, I beſeech thee.

O Lord, make me faithful and truſty, wiſe and wary in the ordering of ſuch goods as are committed to my cuſtody by my Maſter or Miſtreſs, Father or Mother. Marry me unto thee (*O Lord*) in righteouſneſs, in judgement, in mercy, and compaſſion; and if it be thy will hereafter to call me to the honourable Eſtate of corporal Matrimony, make me follow *Ra-*

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chel in love, *Rebeccah* in wisdom, *Sarah* in faithfulness and obedience to my husband, and all other worthy Matrons in modesty and honesty, for Jesus Christs sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

The Mariners Prayer.

Psal. 107. 23, 24. *They that go down to the Sea in ships, and do business in great waters see the works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep.*

O Lord God, which hast thy way in the Seas, and thy path in the greatest Waters; and hast appointed, as well them, as the firm land, for men to do their business in; we beseech thee, that as thou hast ordained the Art of Navigation for the comfort and security of man, so thou wilt be pleased to bless us and our labours, our company, and the goods that are under our charge, against such dangerous and perillous casualties as our Trade is daily subject to

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And thou, Lord Jesus, who didst vouchsafe to travel by ship, to preach out of the ship, and in the Ship to work Miracles, and once to walk upon the Main, as on dry Land; we pray thee, still the raging of the waters when they arise, put forth thy hand and save us when we shall be in danger, as thou didst the one of thy Disciples, and all the company in their Ship; and the other for thy Apostle St. *Peter*, when he was in great fear, and ready to sink.

O Holy Ghost, which at the Creation of the Universe diddest graciously rest and move upon the face of the Waters, vouchsafe us a peaceable Journy, and send us such wind and weather as may serve us for a safe passage whither we are bound for our business, and a joyful return; that being done.

O blessed Trinity, one everliving God, save us by Sea and Land, keep us in the violent whirling of the wind

wind, in the bitterneſs of Froſt, Hail, Ice, and Snow, in the dangers of Fire, and the fearful cracks and flaſhes of thunder and lightning. Defend us from Pirates, and all Robbers, which live upon the ſpoil of the people, and labours of honeſt men. Make good our proviſions, both for bodily food, and furniture of our Ships. Furniſh us, ſuccour us, defend us, O God, thou Anchor of our Hope, for thy Glory, and for thy Names ſake, *Amen*.

The Prayer of one afflicted in Conſcience for ſin.

Dan. 9. 19. *O Lord hear, O Lord forgive, O Lord hearken and do; defer not for thine own ſake, O my God.*

O Moſt merciful God, which by the ſending of thy Son into the world haſt brought to paſs, that where ſin abounded, there grace abounded much more: I forlorn wretch, diſquieted in mind and

and afflicted in conscience for fear of thy judgements upon my sin, do with bended knees, and tears unfeigned, as a most humble supplicant, beg and crave of thee some succour and relief: Open, O open the Gates of thy Mercy to the greatness of my miseries; my abject Countenance witnesseth my distressed mind. My spirit is sorrowful, my heart is heavy, my words are stopt with sighs, and my plants are watered with tears: to thee I hold up my hands, to thee I lift up my heart, to thee I pray, requiring of thee mercy. *O Lord*, what shall I desire of thee, that deserve nothing at thy hand? what can I hope for, that am even heartless? Lord, if thou hadst said, *Shall not my Soul be avenged on such a one as this?* Remember thy promise elsewhere, *I will have mercy on him that could find no mercy*; and let it light upon me: If Satan presume, God hath for-

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ſaken him, think upon the Decree for the ſeed of the woman, and the power of thy Sons paſſion, defeat all the devices of the Devil againſt me.

O Lord, hear me ſpeedily; if thou do not, then I am out of hope; my Conſcience accuſeth me, my memory gives evidence againſt me; and my Reaſon condemneth me: my ſpirit is weary of this bondage, and I have bid my life farewel. My Conſcience is clogged, when I behold the bloody wounds of my Soul, the voice of joy and mirth is gone from me, I am deeply plunged in diſcomfort: I have neither worth to appeaſe thy wrath, nor patience to endure thy indignation: I pray thee therefore, ſend the comfort of thy Holy Spirit into my heart, and ſtrengthen my Faith, that I be not ſwallowed up with over-much heavineſs. O Lord, let thy Majeſty appear in thy mercy, forgive my ſins,

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the unhappy ground of all this wo, and I am recovered of all mine infirmities. Try not the Law with me, lest I come to judgement; sanctifie all those good means unto me wherein I seek relief, as Prayer, Conference, Reading and hearing of thy holy Word. Moderate and mitigate my vexation, increase faith, establish hope, grant patience, and keep me from despair. Take away this Cup from me, if it be thy Will; if not, suffer me not to be tempted above my strength.

I have an humbled and contrite heart, (*O Lord*) look upon me; I go mourning all the day long, and am like unto him that is at the point to die: *O Lord*, comfort me; thou that wilt not break a bruised reed, spare me; thou that delightest not in the death of a sinner, revive me. Though my heart condemn me; yet, good Lord, thou that art greater then my heart,

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acquit me, relieve me, releaſe me, and ſay unto my Soul, *I am thy Salvation.* Hearken Lord, unto my Prayer, and grant me my requeſts, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, *Amen.*

The Sick-mans Prayer.

Job 1. 21. *Naked came I out of my mothers womb, and naked ſhall I return thither.*

O Loving Lord, and moſt holy Father, I poor wretch, thy ſervant, feeling in this ſickneſs which thou haſt laid upon me, the puniſhment of that Corruption and tranſgreſſion that is in me, and all fleſh, do moſt willingly ſubmit my ſelf to thy Holy Ordinance, to bear this Croſs, and taſte of this bitter Cup, which I have deſerved, and much more; ſo that I may follow thee whither thou art gone.

Therefore (*O Lord*) ſince thou haſt not yet called me to the bar of

death, but ſent thy Heralds to ſummon me to a trial; I beſeech thee look on me with thine eye of merciful pity, and help me in this day of Viſitation. Pour out thine oyl of Grace into my wounded Conſcience, purge my defiled ſoul, forgive me all my ſins; and give me competent comfort and conſolation in this diſtreſs. Let me not die ere I begin to live, give me time to repent, and occaſion to amend: But if thou wilt needs put any more of thy wine of Correction into my feſtered ſores, lay no more (*O Lord*) lay no more upon me then I ſhall be able to bear. Make good unto me that goodneſs which thou haſt granted me under the great Seal of thy promiſe. Supply my want, pardon my ſins, aud aid me againſt all temptations.

I offer here unto thee (*O Lord,*) a penitent heart for the time paſt, and promiſe through thy Grace amend-

amendment, if it ſhall pleaſe thee to draw out the thread of my life any longer; yet neither deſire the continuance of this mortality, nor a more ſpeedy deliverance, otherwiſe then as thou wilt: Lord, look not on my merits, for they are either none, or not good; nor upon my life, for it hath been naught; but look upon Chriſt thy dear Son, who from the Altar of the Croſs cried unto thee on my behalf, and accept his ſatisfaction for my ſins.

Arm me with patience, to take up my Croſs, and follow thee, even to bear thy Viſitation willingly; and give me ſtrength by Faith, to reſiſt the adverſary in the brunt of Temptations. With my ſorrow and pain increaſe thy grace, that when I am in my greateſt Agony, I may find comfort, believing and ſaying with the holy Prophet, *My fleſh faileth, and my heart alſo; but God is the ſtrength of my heart.*

heart, and my portion for ever. O Lord, if thy Decree be gone forth, as it was to *Hezekiah*, that I ſhall dye, and not live, give me grace to put my houſe in order, that I may depart with the more peace; and when the pangs of death have ſhut up the eyes of my body, and taken away the uſe of my tongue, (I beſeech thee) let the eyes of my Soul ſtill behold and look upon thee; ſo that when I ſhall leave the Earth to the Earth, and my Body to the Grave, thine Angels may carry up my Soul into Heaven, and I may be partaker of a joyful Reſurrection, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, *Amen.*

A Prayer to be ſaid at the point of Death.

O Lord, my time is at hand, my Soul is heavy even unto death. Look down upon me, pour thine Oyl of Grace into my heart, pardon my ſins, ſtrengthen my

my Faith, shorten my pains, and drive away Satan. Help me in this conflict. Look upon thy Christ, he is my Saviour and Redeemer. Come Lord Jesus, welcome. Into thy hands I commend my Soul: take it (O Lord) take me, the work of thine own hands; and let me dye in thy fear, and rise again in thy favour, that I may come to thy Bliss, for Jesus Christ his sake, *Amen.*

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SUPPLICATIONS OF SAINTS.

The Fourth Part.

MOSES Song.

EXOD. 15. 1.

Then ſang Moſes and the Children of Iſrael unto the Lord.

BERNARD.

Gratiarum aſcenſus, Gratiæ deſcenſus.

The ſending up of Thanks, is the fetching down of Grace.

This Part containeth divers Thankſgivings and Graces.

SUPPLICATIONS
OF
SATAN.

A general Thanksgiving to be used by all men at all times.

Psalm 86. 13. *I will praise thee O Lord my God, with all my heart, and will glorifie thy Name for evermore. For great is thy mercy towards me.*

O Blessed Lord, and ever-living God, whose mercy is over all thy works, and of whose fulness we have all received grace for grace: I poor *Samaritan* that have been ho pen, healed, and honoured by thy holyhand, do pour forth my heart unto thee, that I may neither ungratefully remember thy benefits, nor ungraciously forget thy severe judgments, who both in the one and the other hast been beyond all measure so gracious unto me. I thank thee, O Lord, for all the external and internal graces bestowed upon me, the spiritual and corporal, the celestial and terrestrial blessings which I have received.

And in earthly matters, O Lord, I acknowledg my ſelf deeply bounden unto thee, for my being, breathing, life, and motion; that thou haſt made me of a more noble Nature then the reſt of the Creatures, creating me after thine own Image, enduing me with Reaſon, furniſhing me with excellent faculties of the mind, and perfect ſenſe.

And I give thee thanks, O Lord, that thou haſt given me a body ſound, and ſo free from great infirmities, and haſt ſet me in a calling ſo fit for my condition, and given me ſuch a competent eſtate: That thou haſt preſerved me from ſo many harms in ſuch dangerous accidents; as in *Sickneſs, Thunder, Lightning, Plague, Peſtilence, Fire, and Water; and from the aſſaults of Thieves and Robbers, by Sea and Land*, attempted or intended againſt my body, houſe, or goods; and delivered me out of ſo many trou-

troubles and vexations as I have fallen into.

O Lord, how am I bound unto thee, that thou haſt lent me many kind friends, and that I live in ſuch honeſt Reputation among my Neighbours; that I have ſuch liberty of ſeemly Recreation, ſuch quietneſs of Life, ſuch opportunities of well-doing; and thine Angels, by thine appointment, to protect and ſafeguard me in all my wayes.

Theſe things (*O Lord*) I enjoy, though unworthy, by thy goodneſs: whereas there be many that have not found the like favour at thy hands, bleſſed be thy Name therefore. And yet, *O Lord*, thou haſt been much more gracious unto me; thy Spiritual favour and thy Celeſtial bleſſings exceed all theſe. Therefore, as I am bound, ſo much more I bleſs thee, that thou didſt elect me before all worlds to Glory; that thou didſt work my Redemption by

the Blood of Christ Jesus in his bitter Passion, that I was born in the light of the Gospel, to know thee, and through sanctification in thee, have had the grace to take upon me the profession of the Truth, to abandon all Superstition and Heresie, to do good unto any, and to do any thing that may do good either publick or private, and in some measure to keep my self unspotted of the world.

Oh! what shall I give unto my Lord, that hath done so great and mighty things for me? O Lord, I give thee thanks that thou hast given me such an honourable calling and vocation of Christianity, and thou hast incorporated me a Member of the Church, giving me such a gracious portion of *Faith, Hope, Love, Zeal, Patience, Peace, and Joy, the beginnings of Regeneration.*

What am I (O Lord) that thou hast granted me such things? to

receive such profit by the preaching of thy Word, and the priviledg of thy blessed Sacraments? to be washed with thy blood, to sit at thy Table, and to feed on thee the everlasting bread?

These I thank thee for: and for these also, even for my part which I have in the Communion of Saints, for the benefit which I have of their Prayers in the Church Militant, the aid of their Counsels, with the pleasure and comfort of their godly Examples for the bettering of my life; that thou hast given me a care to use a good Conscience in dealings in this world, and earnest desire to continue so still, yea, rather to grow better.

Neither can I forget (O Lord) thy mercy and patience towards me, that thou hast granted me so long and so large a time of repentance, and hast vouchsafed me herein to have thy Son Jesus Christ for

my Mediator, by whose intercession my Prayers have access unto thee, and receive their happy answers.

I praise thee, I glorifie thee, I worship thee, I magnifie thy blessed Name, O Lord; by whose goodness, I want nothing fit for a Christian, nor any thing that may fit me for Heaven: where I thank thee, for making so glorious a provision, and such a gracious preparation for my Soul in Heaven, whither I beseech thee to bring me, O my God, in thy due time, and in the mean time to continue thy goodness unto me; for Jesus Christ his sake, my only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

A Thanksgiving for the Delivery of the Kings Majesty, and the State of Parliament, from the Gun-powder-Treason, Nov. 5. Anno 1605.

Psalm 30. 12 *For this shall every good man sing of thy Praise; O my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.*

O Almighty God, great in mercy, and wonderful in Judgement, who by the instinct of nature, and charge in holy Scripture, hast taught us, that great deliverances ought to have perpetual Remembrances; We miserable sinners, whose corrupt nature and vile actions, have deserved by extraordinary punishments to be made a spectacle to the world, and to Angels, and to men, do humbly acknowledg thy love and long sufferance, in delivering us from many heavy Judgements which might

juſtly have been brought upon us and our chiefeſt delights.

O Lord, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us what thou diddeſt in former times for this Kingdom and Nation, Prince and People; how thou didſt defeat the force of the Enemie's Arms, and ſubdue open Rebellion, and put by the ſhot of Dag, and prevent the ſtab of Dagger, and overthrow the invincible Armado. And now, Lord, for us, the Father to the Children, and old to young, ſhall report how thou didſt diſcover and diſappoint that woful Tragedy, bloody Maſſacre, and remedileſs Deſtruction, which was ready to be brought upon us and our Nation, by thine and our Enemies, the Abettors and worſhippers in the Church of *Rome*.

O Lord, we tremble to think upon it, how unjuſtly they intended to take us away before our time

by secret conveying of fearful Gunpowder, covered with Iron, Wood, and Coals (ready to put fire unto) into a dark Vault under the House of Parliament, a place of State, against a present sitting.

O God, we were without all means to fore-know such a misery, and without all judgement to understand such a misery, hadst not thou of thy great love to true Religion, and mercy to us, given means to discover it to us. Yea, thou in thy power didst make their own pens covertly to describe it, & with thy Spirit didst inspire the heart of our King justly to suspect it, whereby it was revealed. Thou art our God, and our hearts shall be thy habitation; our Fathers God, and we will exalt thee.

O Lord, if this had not been, we had been blown up, we had been smothered, we had been dismembered, we had been persecuted, we had been undone, all and some,

fearing thy Name, the poor Commonalty, the worthy Gentry, the judicious Lawyer, the reverend Judge, the true Nobility, the learned Clergy, and the ſacred Council of our King; yea, our King, and his Queen, and Prince, the moſt honorable Aſſembly of Chriſtendom ſitting in their State, for the continuance of thy Truth, and good of the Realm.

Wherefore, good Lord, ſeeing thou didſt bring us to the graves-mouth, but haſt not given us over to death; we have imprinted in our minds the horror of the danger, and excited in our Souls due thankfulneſs for the Reſcue; and therefore we praiſe thee, we bleſs thee, we worſhip thee, we glorifie thee; and all condign thanks, honour and power we aſcribe unto thee, for this thy gracious preſervation. And we beſeech thee, O Lord, ſtill to lend thy helping hand to this Kingdom, and thy aſſiſtance

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to the Gospel, and ever bless the persons and consultations of that high Court with holiness and safety, that we may enjoy our Lives and Livings, our Religion, and our King, and his off-spring after him, in prosperity, to our comfort and thy Glory, to whom we offer our selves, our Souls and bodies, to be at thy service, for ever and ever, *Amen.*

A Comprehensive Prayer.

MOst Glorious and Eternal Lord God, who art of purer eyes, then to behold the least iniquity with the least approbation; We thy poor creatures do confess that we are vile and miserable sinners, being conceived in sin; by nature children of wrath, and transgressors from the womb. All we like sheep have gone astray, and turned every one to his own way. Thou madest us, not we our

selves,

ſelves, and bleſſed be thy Holy Name, thou haſt been very gracious to us, giving us many comforts in this life, and the means to bring us to Eternal life: But though we ſhould have glorified thee with ſouls and bodies, as being thine; and whatever we did ſhould have been done to thy Glory, and to pleaſe thee, in the obeying of thy Will; Yet we have diſpleaſed and diſhonoured thee, and turned from thee; exalting, ſeeking and pleaſing our ſelves. Thou art the King of all the world; and thy Laws are holy, juſt, and good. But we have denied thee our due ſubjection and obedience, being unruly and ſelf-willed, minding the things of the fleſh, and making proviſion for its luſts: We have ſtaggered at thy Word through unbelief, and have not fully placed our truſt and hope in thee. We have rather feared man that is duſt, and can but kill the body,

then thee, that canſt deſtroy both ſoul and body in Hell. Thou art infinitely good, and love it ſelf, yet have we not fully taken thee for our Portion, nor loved thee with all our heart, and ſoul, and might, nor made thee our full deſire and delight.

But we have inordinately loved our ſelves, and the world, and the things of the world, and lived by ſenſe when we ſhould have lived by Faith; and cared and laboured for the food that periſheth, when we ſhould have laboured for the one thing needful, and that which indureth to everlaſting life; we have been ſlothful ſervants yielding to temptation, aſhamed of our duty, loſing our precious time, when we ſhould have been fervent in ſpirit, ſerving the Lord cleaving to thee with full reſolution, redeeming the time, and with diligence making ſure our

Calling and Election. We have not with due holiness and reverence drawn near thee, and used thy holy Name, thy Worship, and thy Day: We have dishonoured and disobeyed our Superiours, and neglected our Inferiours. We have been guilty of not loving our Neighbours as our selves, and not doing to others as we would they should do to us; but have sought our own against their welfare, not forbearing, and forgiving, not loving our enemies as we ought, not following peace, nor studying to do good to all, according to our power. We have sinned secretly and openly, in thought, word, and deed, ignorantly and presumptuously, in passion and upon deliberation; against thy Precepts, Promises, and Threats; against thy Mercies and thy Judgements, under thy Patience, and in thy sight; against our Consciences, our purposes, and our Covenants; when

we were hasting to Death and Judgement, for which through all our lives we should have prepared. Thou hast commended thy wonderful Love towards us in giving thy Son to dye for sinners, to Reconcile us to Thee, while we were Enemies; and all things being made ready, thou hast sent thy Messengers to invite us to come in, Preaching to us the glad Tidings of Salvation, and freely offering us Pardon, and Life in Jesus Christ, but we have made light of it, and neglected this great Salvation, and made excuses, or too long delays; undervaluing our Redeemer, his Blood and Merits, his offered Grace, and endless Glory, rejecting his Holy Doctrine and Example, resisting his Spirit, Ministers, and Word. We have sinned, O Lord, against Thee, and against our own Soules, and are not worthy

worthy to be called thy Children; We have deserved everlasting wrath; to us belongeth confusion, but mercy and forgiveness unto thee. Have mercy upon us, O God, according to the multitude of thy mercies. Heal our souls that have sinned against thee, and enter not into judgement with thy servants. Hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Cast us not away from thy presence, and avenge not upon us the quarrel of thy Covenant. Wash us in the blood of the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world. Accept us in thy Beloved Son, who was made a curse for us, and was wounded for our transgressions. Turn us, O God of our salvation, and cause thy face to shine upon us. Give us repentance unto Life; cause us to loathe our selves for all the evils that we have committed. Give us that broken contrite Spirit, which thou wilt not despise.

Create

Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right Spirit within us. Take out of us the old and ſtrong heart. Give us the Spirit of thy Son, and be our God, and let us be thy people. Enlighten our Underſtandings, to know the wonderful things of thy Law, the dimenſions of thy love in Chriſt, the Myſteries of thy Kingdom, and the riches of the Glory of thy Inheritance in the Saints, and that we may approve the things that are excellent, and may eſcape the ſnares of the Devil, and may hate every falſe way. Shed abroad thy love in our hearts by thy Holy Spirit, and cauſe us ſo to love thee, that nothing may ſeparate us from thy Love. Put thy fear into our hearts, that nothing may ever part us from thee. Cauſe us to ſeek firſt thy Kingdom, and thy Righteouſneſs, and (as thoſe that are riſen with Chriſt) to ſeek the things that are above, and to lay up a

Treaſure

Treaſure in Heaven; and let our hearts and converſations be there; Mortifie our earthly inclinations and deſire. Crucifie the world to us, and us unto the world, by the Croſs of Chriſt. Cauſe us to live by Faith, and look at the things that are unſeen; and uſe the world, as not over-uſing it, ſeeing the faſhion of it paſſeth away; ſtriving to enter in at the ſtrait gate, and running ſo as to obtain; let us no longer live the reſt of our time to the luſts of men, but to the Will of God, ſtudying in all things to pleaſet hee, and to be accepted of thee; let us not ſeek our own wills, but the Will of him that called us! yea, let us delight to do thy Will, O God; let our delight be in thy Law, and let us meditate therein day and night; cauſe us to deny ungodlineſs, and worldly luſts, and to live ſoberly, and righteouſly, and godly in this preſent world, as obedient children,

not

not fashioning our selves to the former Lusts of our Ignorance; but, as he that hath called us is Holy, let us be Holy in all manner of Conversation. Cause us to love one another with a pure heart, fervently, forbearing; and forgiving one another, if any have a quarrel against other, even as Christ forgave us. Give us the Wisdom which is first pure, and then peaceable. In our eyes let a vile person be contemned, but let us honour them that fear the Lord. Cause us to walk circumspectly without offence, and to be zealous of good Works, to love our enemies, and not to give place to wrath; and in patience to possess our souls. Help us to deny our selves, and to take up our Cross and follow Christ; esteeming his reproach to be greater riches then the Treasures of the world, that having suffered with him, we may also be glorified with him.

Though

Though we must be tempted, help us to overcome, and be faithful unto the death, and then let us receive that Crown of Life. Abound in Goodness and Mercy to all thy People. Exalt the Throne of thy Son, and pull down the powers of Satan. Bless all Christian Kings and Governours, causing them to rule in thy Faith, Fear, and Love; and to become great Instruments for the good of the World. Support the sorrowful, and deliver the distressed. Do for us, ours, and the whole *Israel* of God, more then we can ask or think, in and through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; to whom with thee O Father, and thy Holy and blessed Spirit, be all Honour and Praise, Love and Service, now and evermore, *Amen.*

A Prayer.

A Prayer.

O Eternal and Almighty Lord God, who doeſt from thy Throne behold all the dwellers upon Earth; hating ſin, but not deſiring the death of a ſinner; What are we vile Creatures, ſinful duſt and aſhes, that we ſhould draw near to ſo holy a God as thou art; we are a lump of ſin, a maſs of corruption, a ſeed of evil doers. We have ſinned againſt thee O Lord, O how wickedly have we done! from the corrupt fountain of our hearts hath continually iſſued forth ſuch poyſonous ſtreams as have infected thoſe about us with impurity. We are condemned of our ſelves, having given heed to vanity and lies, and walked at a diſtance from thee, and the things of our own peace. We have been convinced of our duties, and have not done them; of our ſins, and have

and have not left them. Sin and the world hath so blinded our judgments, that we have not discerned our own good, so that we have been willing to be miserable, and unwilling to be happy. We have not firmly believed thy Gospel, nor owned Christ in all his Offices, nor approached thy presence with due reverence. We have strayed from thy wayes, and followed the devices of our own hearts; we have committed the evil thou condemnest, and omitted the good which thou hast commanded; we have despised thy Counsel, contemned thy Mercy, and turned our backs both upon thy Law and Gospel; we have swelled with pride, been unprofitable in converse, neither been thankful for benefits, nor improved by means or afflictions. All our seeming goodness, like the morning Dew hath soon passed away; we have not longed for commu-

communion with thee, nor ſtriven as we ought againſt our luſts, nor been ſincere in our performances, nor ſighed for the abominations committed againſt thee. We have no wayes ſerved the ends for which thou didſt create, and haſt preſerved us: We have committed iniquity with a high hand, not fearing thee, but making our faces harder then a Rock, as though we would reproach the Lord, and as if we were at an agreement with Hell.

O how juſtly mayſt thou for all our abominations puniſh us with everlaſting deſtruction from thy preſence! But ſpare us, good Lord, according to the greatneſs of thy mercy, and deal not with us after our ſins. Look upon our Mediator and his Redemption, and in the multitude of thy mercies, waſh away all our ſins with his blood; ſay unto us, be of good cheer, your ſins are forgiven you;

and O give us ſound Repentance, that we may recover our ſouls out of the ſnare of the Devil. Open thou our eyes, and ſo order our ſteps, that we may walk in the Path of thy Commandments.

Let us not from henceforth walk as the Gentiles, who are alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, but to put off concerning the old Converſation the old man, which is corrupt according to deceitful luſts, and to be renewed in the ſpirit of our minds, putting on the new man which after God is created in righteouſneſs and true holineſs. Teach us always to do the things which pleaſe thee, and not to do any thing which may make our hearts to ake. Let our rejoycing be this, even the teſtimony of our Conſciences, that in ſimplicity and Godly ſincerity we have had our Converſations in the world. From Pride, Hypocriſie, Malice, Uncharitable-

ritableneſs, blindneſs of Mind, and contempt of thy Word, good Lord, deliver us. Cleanſe us from our ſecret faults, keep back thy ſervants alſo from preſumptuous ſins; teach us to live by Faith, to diſregard the World, and to be more reſolute againſt temptations. Keep us by thy power through faith unto ſalvation, and let us do from our hearts what ever thou commandeſt us. Give us to ſeek thy Glory, to be vile in our own eyes, to deny our corrupt inclinations, and to ſubmit both to what thou appointeſt, and to what thou approveſt. Let our Converſation be without covetouſneſs, that we may be content with ſuch things as we have. O grant, that we may walk worthy of the Lord unto all well-pleſing, being fruitful in every good work, and increaſing in the knowledge of God; make us quiet and uſeful in the world, doing to others as we would that they ſhould do

to us. Let us no longer be lovers of pleasures, more then Lovers of God. Give us to possess our vessels in sanctification and honour, to prepare for sickness, death and judgement, to abound in patience, meekness, and temperance, and to hold on in thy ways unto the end of our dayes. We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, and to write thy Laws in our hearts, and to settle us firmly in thy service. Give us true thankfulness for all Mercies, Spiritual and Temporal, Personal and National; and herein we bless thee, that when these Kingdoms of *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, were under great trouble and the Sword, thou didst not give us over to Famine, Pestilence, and all kind of calamity; but didst quietly bring us to peace, when thou mightest have utterly destroyed us for our sins: and seeing thou wast pleased so mercifully and remarkably to restore unto

us,

us; thy Servant, our Sovereign King *Charles* the Second, after so long an absence from his Fathers Throne. O write a Law of thankfulness upon his heart, and give him to walk in thy way, to defend thy Faith, and to seek thy Glory. Bless him in this world, and the World to come. Be gracious to our vertuous Queen *Catharine*, *Mary* the Queen-Mother, the illustrious *James* Duke of *York*, with all the Royal Relations; enrich them with thy heavenly Grace, prosper them with all Happiness, and Crown them with endless Favour: Counsel his Majesties Counsellors; make the Judges just, honour the Nobility and Gentry with wisdom and vertue; cause inferiour Magistrates to execute good Laws, Let the Ministers of thy Word be faithful Labourers in thy Vineyard. Give to the whole Commonalty of this land religious hearts towards thee, Loyal hearts

towards the King, and loving hearts to one another; and so let Peace and Tranquillity be continued to us and future Generations. Which blessings, with what ever else thou in thy infinite wisdom knowest necessary for us, we pray thee grant, for the sake alone of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ; in whose blessed Name and Words, we continue praying, as he hath taught us saying,

Our Father which art in heaven Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, for ever. Amen.

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The Hymne appointed by the Church to be ſaid or ſung after the Holy *Communion*, turned into ordinary verſe of the Pſalms:

PSAL. 18.

ALL glory be to God on high,
And peace on earth likewiſe,
Good will towards men eternally,
By Chriſt his Sacrifice.
O God the Father, Heavenly King,
We praiſe and worſhip thee;
We glorifie thee, we give thanks,
O Lord, for thy great glory.

O Lord, Lord God, O Jeſu Chriſt,
The Father's only Son,
Only begot, the wiſdom true,
By whom all things were done.
O Lamb of God, that tak'ſt away
All the ſins of the world,
By guiltleſs death on curſed Croſs.
Have mercy on us, Lord.

O thou that tak'st away the sins,
And errors of the world,
By guiltless death on cursed Cross,
Have mercy on us, Lord;
O thou that tak'st away the sins,
And errors of the world,
By guiltless death on cursed Cross,
Receive our Prayers, Lord.

O thou that sit'st on God's right hand,
The Father Eternal,
And dost our weakness understand,
Have mercy on us all:
For thou only deserv'st the name
Of Israel's holy One;
Thou holy art, thou art the Lord,
Thou, even, thou alone:

And thou only, O Jesu Christ,
Thou with the Holy Ghost,
In Glory of the Father, art
Most high, advanced most.
AMEN.

Short Graces, or Thankſgivings for the Table; to be uſed in private ſittings, and publike meetings by children and others.

Before Meat.

ALmighty Lord, who with thy bleſſing filleſt every want; and who of thy bounty feedeſt both man and beaſt; Bleſs us, and theſe thy Creatures which thou haſt now appointed to be food for our ſinful bodies: that as they are manifeſt tokens of thy providence towards us, ſo they may be wholſome nouriſhments for our weakneſs, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

After Meat.

ALmighty God, which haſt mercifully heard our Prayers, and at this preſent liberally

fed us, we give thee humble thanks for thy goodneſs, beſeeching thee ſo to direct us from henceforth with thy Grace, that after this life we may be partakers of thy Heavenly Table, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Before Meat.

ALmighty God, on whom all eyes attend, and receive what is fit for them, in due ſeaſon; we beſeech thee to bleſs theſe things which thou haſt now given unto us for meat; and let the Dew of thy Grace ſtrengthen them for our nouriſhment; Thy Mercy pardon our ſins; and thy Holy hand defend us from all evil, this time, and for evermore, *Amen.*

After

After Meat.

O Lord God, which haſt now given us power to eat of the fruit of our labours, and plentifully filled us with thy hidden Treaſure; Receive our thanks, and grant us that Sacred hunger and thirſt after Righteouſneſs. Give us the Peace of a good Conſcience, a true Faith, charitable Minds, and Love unfeigned one towards another, for Jeſus Chriſts ſake, our Lord, *Amen.*

Before Meat.

O Heavenly Father, without whoſe mercy the moſt provident hath not a morſel of bread, and of whoſe goodneſs cometh the Royal Banquet of *Darius*, and all other abundance; we confeſs that thou haſt here given us more then we can deſerve, and we beſeech

ſeech thee to remove from us all abuſe of thy Gifts, that our hearts and minds being ſanctified to moderation and ſobriety, we may only eat to live, and living labour to attain the Bread of Life, for the ſuſtentation and ſalvation of our Souls, through Jeſus Chriſt, our Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

After Meat.

O Heavenly Father, though we eat and drink, yet our Life ſtandeth not in that abundance; We bleſs thy Holy Name for thy goodneſs, beſeeching thee to bleſs every one of us in our ſeveral vocations, to knit our hearts unto thee, that we may fear thy Name; to remove thy judgements which we have deſerved, and at laſt to give us life everlaſting, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, *Amen.*

After

After Meat.

O Lord Jesus, who for the comfort and relief of the Company at *Cana* in *Galilee*, didst not only adorn it with thy gracious presence, but also turnedst water into wine: be present, we beseech thee, amongst us here; Bless our Meats and Drinks, which are the gifts of thy Liberality, that we using them with moderation and thanksgiving, they may become wholsome nourishments to our mortal bodies, *Amen.*

After Meat.

O Lord Jesus, the Celestial Bridegroom of the Universal Church, blessed be thy Name for this our friendly meeting, and all other Comforts both of our Bodies and Souls: Bless this days work, thy holy Ordinance in thy

servants, forgive us all our sins and make us thankful for thy benefits, hopeful of thy mercies, and fearful of thy Judgments, this day and evermore, *Amen.*

Before Meat.

O Gracious God, which didst multiply the small provision of the poor Widow at *Sarepta*, and madest wholsome the dangerous meat of thy Children at *Gilgal*; Mercifully supply all our wants, increase and bless our store, and grant us thy grace all the days of our life, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

After Meat.

O Gracious God, who only art able as to make a great Harvest of few grains, so a great Feast of few Loaves; we give thee thanks that thou hast thus satisfied

us with ſo ſmall proviſion, beſeeching thee to continue thy powerful aſſiſtance to us; that in this life we may alwayes have a competent ſtay for our bodies, and in the life to come, a permanent Kingdom for Body and Soul, through Jeſus Chriſt our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Before Meat.

THe bread of life, the ſtaff of bread,
God grant us all that daily need
The ſtaff of bread to hold this life,
The bread of life our Souls to feed.
The bread of life is Chriſt our Lord,
The Lamb of God the ſpring of good
The ſtaff of bread Chriſt doth afford,
By putting ſtrength into our food;
O bleſſed bread, dear God, lifes Lord
Bleſs all that's at and on this board.

After

After Meat.

GOd gave Elias *meat at first*
And Israel *Manna in desart wild*
The People that did follow Christ,
His Miracle in mercy fill'd.
And when we want, we seek and find,
And what we have increaseth more;
Our meat sufficing to our mind,
Where God doth give & bless the store.
Blessed be God that hath our hunger (staid,
And given us every one our daily (bread.

Before Meat.

AS did Elias *weary in his way,*
And Christ our Lord, so oft (as he did eat,
So let us ask of God, desire and pray,
To guide our hearts and ways, and (bless our meat.
Amen.

After Meat.

GOd, that Elias *by the Raven fed,*
And nouriſht Daniel *in the Li-*
ons Den,
And filled thouſands with five loaves
of bread,
And us hath ſatisfied, be praiſed,
Amen.

A Supplication of the Author *for all.*

O Eternal Majeſty, *a* unto whom all fleſh ſhall come; which ſeeſt that *b* we know not what to pray for as we ought, yet haſt *c* accepted theſe my weak and worthleſs Meditations, to conceive and bring forth theſe continual *c* Supplications, and Prayers, and Thankſgivings, *e* bleſſed be thy Name, *f* Glory be to thee, and *g* Thanks for thine unſpeakable gift: And I humbly beſeech thee, when any of thy dear Saints ſhall

a Iſai. 66.23.
b Reg. 8.28.
c Pſal. 19.14. 1 Th. 5.
e Jo.1
f Pro. 11.
g 1 Co. 9.15.

h bow

b Col. 1. 2. *i* Eph. 3. 14. *k* Psal. 2. 8. *l* Ju. 11. 25 *m* Act. 1. 3. *n* 1 Cor 1. 3. *o* 1 Ki. 8. 13. *p* Mal. 3. 1. *q* Apo. 8. 3. *r* Job 7. *s* Ro. 8 *t* Psal. 25. 5. *u* Psal. 144 *x* 1 Ki. 8.

b bow their *i* knees to thy Majesty, *k* lifting up their hands towards thy Holy Oracle, and *l* opening their mouths to beg thy favour; then O thou *m* God of Glory, *n* the Father of Mercies, *o* Hear thou in Heaven thy dwelling place, and do according to all that they shall call unto thee for; and let the *p* Angel of thy Covenant, thy Son Jesus Christ, *q* offer the Holy Incense with their Prayers before thee; *r* O thou Preserver of men, and the Holy Ghost thy Spirit *s* help their infirmities in their Prayers, and make intercession for them: O Lord, *t* grant peace unto *Israel*, *u* send help unto *Jacob*, *x* hear these Prayers and Supplications, O Lord, O my God, *Amen*, and *Amen*.

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